

AIMS STORIES

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About Hilda

Hilda was 11 when she started Junior High School and went to live at the Armonia Home in the village of Yalalag, in Oaxaca. She was so little and beautiful that teachers and classmates started to call her “Muñequita” (Little Doll). Her struggle to learn Spanish well, as a second language, and to go on in life far away from her mother and brothers since she was so young, has not been easy.

Today, at 19, having finished her Senior High School and having many dreams and plans for the future, she has struggled to be admitted into Medical School. In Armonia she serves and enjoys being an Older Sister to the younger AIMS students in Oaxaca and is developing another beloved area of her many skills: Culinary Arts.

Very recently Pilar lovingly challenged the Older Sisters and Older Brothers in the Oaxaca Aims Program to go beyond being good and cordial people and to learn to love each other as real family in Christ. Hilda’s point of view and reflections allowed us to see her spiritual growth through all these years.

“We understand very clearly -from the name of the organization itself “Armonia” (Harmony) that we should live in peace, as a group, as a team, in friendship, as a network of friends, together living well and helping each other.

You are very right, and that is the truth, the best way to make a good network of friends is to start with your own family, because we live

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NAME Hilda Bautista

PLACE OF ORIGIN: Tepuxtepec, Oaxaca

TODAY Student

LANGUAGES Mixe, Spanish.



Photos clockwise

1. Hilda at Junior High
2. Hilda at graduation
3. Hilda as an “Older Sister” working with Lolis
4. Hilda and Pilar celebrating her Senior High Graduation



network of friends is to start with your own family, because we live together and it would be even a lack of respect not to get along with each other, not to show love among us, not to accept each other the way we are. If we would, we would be different. We know that we think differently, we all know that we have different ideas, but it would be very beautiful if we could achieve good communication and harmony. We could do very impressive things, that would make others be very surprised because we are many young people living under the same roof.

I believe that for this to happen absolutely every one of us need to accept God in our hearts by faith. It is only through him, that we can obtain and experience true love towards ourselves and towards our neighbor. Only in that way we would change and understand anything.

And I also believe that it is very important to put our faith in practice, and to read the Bible, to understand it. Only then we will really find what we need.

Thank you again. It is always good to be reminded that we can improve, because we can learn more and more...

Greetings from AIMS Oaxaca.

May the Lord bless you.

Hilda"

Hilda's thoughts made us think that we all need to make the same commitments on this season and for the rest of our lives.

With our love,
In Christ,
Saul and Pilar Cruz

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