



Compassion Canada

Location: León, NICARAGUA

Ministry: Releasing children from poverty in Jesus' name

Compassion's mission is to release children from poverty in Jesus' name. Compassion partners with over 8,000 churches in 27 countries to deliver their proven child development program to more than 2 million infants, children and youth.

Our church has a long history of involvement with Compassion, and we are currently partnered with one of their Child Survival Programs in Leon, Nicaragua. Nicaragua is considered one of the poorest and least developed countries in Central America and this is reflected in the fact that four times as many babies die during their first year of life in Nicaragua compared to Canada and nearly eight times as many women die from pregnancy-related causes compared to Canada. In response to this reality, a Child Survival Program works through a local church in Leon to deliver contextualized solutions to the problems faced by mothers and babies living in extreme poverty. Local church staff are trained to be the hands and feet of Christ, providing care and support to women and babies during pregnancy, infancy, and early childhood. As these mothers and children escape desperate poverty, they and their families are also introduced to new life in Christ.

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