



## LEARNING ON SCHOOL BREAK

“Speak Life,” a local Christian group in Chimaltenango, recently blessed us with their presence. They volunteered to teach elective classes for our children during our annual school break. With courses such as cooking, dancing, art, and mechanics, all of our older children found something enjoyable to study. Two young men named Charly and Fernando appreciated the hands-on experience at the mechanics seminar they attended: “We loved learning about cars, especially the part where we got to take off the tires!”



## REUNIFICATION FOLLOW-UP

As one of the top children's homes in Guatemala, UNICEF invited Agua Viva to participate in a new pilot program. The goal of this program is to create a follow-up system for children who reunite with their parents or close relatives. The plan is for Children's Homes to work with local health care providers, psychologists, education professionals, the court system, and other governing agencies. This partnership will help parents to learn how to provide a safe and healthy environment that will keep families together. Our social worker, psychologists, and director meet regularly with other participants. We ask for your prayers so that this important and complicated task will be successful.



## BECOMING BETTER TEACHERS

While students enjoy their break from school, our workers remain hard at work. Our school requires all teachers to enroll in continuing education courses that assist them in becoming better professors. This year our elementary school instructors participated in a week-long seminar that concentrated on new techniques for effective instruction in the field of mathematics. The class was both challenging and fun, and our teachers are excited to bring what they have learned into the classroom when school resumes.



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