

CHILDREN'S PRAYER GUIDE AUGUST 2018

LOVE LINK EL SALVADOR

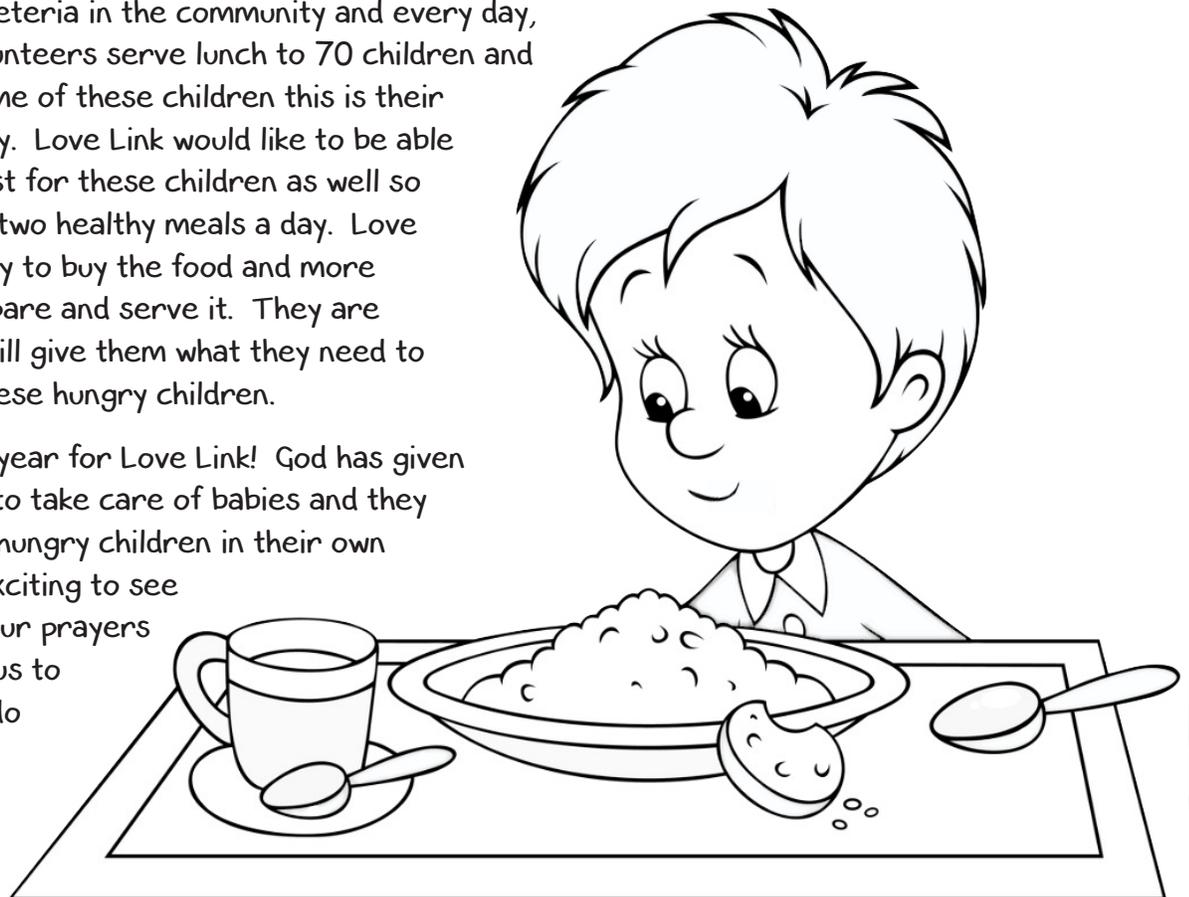
Have you ever prayed for something and seen God answer your prayer? When we pray to God we can be sure He is listening to us and that He will answer our prayers! Love Link is a ministry in El Salvador that takes care of babies and children who don't have enough food. This year, Love Link asked their friends to pray that God would do something that seemed impossible, and He did it!

One of the ways Love Link takes care of sick children is at a house where babies and toddlers who do not have enough food and are sick can come and get the food they need to become healthy. Love Link had been taking care of babies in the same house for many years, but unexpectedly they were told they had to move in less than a month. It didn't seem like enough time to find a new house, to find new places to care for the babies who were living with them, and to pack all of their things. They also needed the money to rent a new building. It seemed almost impossible. But for God nothing is impossible. People all over the world prayed for Love Link and in less than a week God provided a new place for them! Today, Love Link is taking care of babies in the new building God has given them.

Love Link also gives food to older children. In some neighborhoods in El Salvador, many of the families do not have enough food to eat three meals a day. One of these neighborhoods is Isla La Calzada.

Love Link has a cafeteria in the community and every day, except Sunday, volunteers serve lunch to 70 children and teenagers. For some of these children this is their only meal of the day. Love Link would like to be able to provide breakfast for these children as well so that they can have two healthy meals a day. Love Link will need money to buy the food and more people to help prepare and serve it. They are trusting that God will give them what they need to continue to help these hungry children.

It has been a busy year for Love Link! God has given them a new house to take care of babies and they have been feeding hungry children in their own community. It is exciting to see how God answers our prayers and it encourages us to pray that God will do even more things for the children and babies in El Salvador.



HOW TO PRAY:

- Thank God for giving Love Link a new building where they can take care of babies and toddlers.
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- Ask God to give Love Link the things they need so they can give children in Isla La Calzada breakfast and lunch every day.
- Pray for Gerson and Jose. Ask God to show them how they can love others and ask God to show you how to love others also.

TRY AN EL SALVADORIAN FOOD: PUPUSAS (CHEESE STUFFED MASA CAKES)

For Pupusas:

2 cups Corn Masa Flour

1 1/4 Warm Water

Pinch of Salt

Oil

Soft White Cheese (Mozzarella, Monterey Jack)

1. Mix the corn flour, water and salt well. The dough will form a ball. Do not add extra water unless dough will not stick together. Too much or too little water will affect dough.

2. With lightly oiled hands, form the dough into 8 balls about 2 inches in diameter.

3. Using your thumb, make an indentation into one of the balls, forming a small cup. Fill the cup with 1 tablespoon of cheese and wrap the dough around the filling to seal it.

4. Making sure that the filling does not leak, pat the dough back and forth between your hands to form a round disk about 1/4-inch thick. Repeat with the remaining balls.

5. Heat a lightly oiled skillet over medium-high heat. Cook the pupusas for 2 to 3 minutes on each side until golden brown. Serve while still warm with salsa or sliced veggies!



MEET GERSON AND JOSE

Gerson (right) and Jose (left) are brothers who spend a lot of time at Love Link. But, they aren't being taken care of by the nurses at the baby house, and they don't eat lunch at the dining hall. Their parents are the new directors of Love Link. Even though Gerson is 7 years old and Jose is only 5 years old, God is using them and their family to take care of children who need help. The brothers used to live in Costa Rica where their parents had regular jobs. But, their family wanted to serve God as missionaries, so they prayed about it. God answered their prayers! Their family moved to the country of El Salvador, almost 600 miles! Gerson and Jose know how much God loves the children at Love Link. And, even though they are children themselves, God is using them to help their parents show others God's love. Ask your parents how your family can pray for and serve other children in your community also.

HANDS-ON PRAYER CHALLENGE

Love Link would like to serve breakfast to children at Isla La Calzada. Ask your parents what you can do to help serve breakfast for your family. Every morning as you do this pray for the children that Love Link helps. Ask God to help the babies grow strong at the baby house, and ask him to allow Love Link to serve breakfast for the older children.