

Toys for God's Kids

Turning scrap wood into smiles

Happy Spring



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This past January, Stephanie Slotsema, a science teacher at Grand Rapids, MI, took a group of her students from Grand Rapids Christian School to Guatemala. She got cars from Paul Pettinga for the mission trip. She wrote to tell us: "We were able to help build 5 homes, and put on 2 medical clinics in 2 different villages. Your cars helped us build relationships with many children and families in these villages. Thank you for being a part of this amazing ministry!" THANK YOU to Paul and the Smilemakers along with Stephanie and her students for caring.



Dave Heikes, a Smilemaker from Elko, MN, states he is really enjoying his new ministry with TFGK. He shared the cars he made with Don Webb and his team from Berean Baptist Church in Burnsville, MN. On a recent mission trip to China, they shared the cars and this sweet girl is enjoying her new toy. THANK YOU Dave, Don, and all Smilemakers for bringing joy to children all over the world.





Smilemakers donated cars to Small Beginnings ECD (part of Hope Anew Ministries). The cars ended up in the hands of the Maisonville Family: Mark, Maureen and son Kristopher. They sold their home in Northern Michigan and traveled to Nairobi, Kenya, where they started a school, bringing hope to children in impoverished communities. Notice the creativity and excitement of the children as they learn and play. THANK YOU all Smilemakers for helping children play.









A note from Dave Ziegler regarding distribution of cars: "Here are some pictures of the boys and girls that received cars on my recent Habitat for Humanity trip to Panajachel, Guatemala. I gave out about 90 cars. Once again they brought big smiles to everyone. Thanks "









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