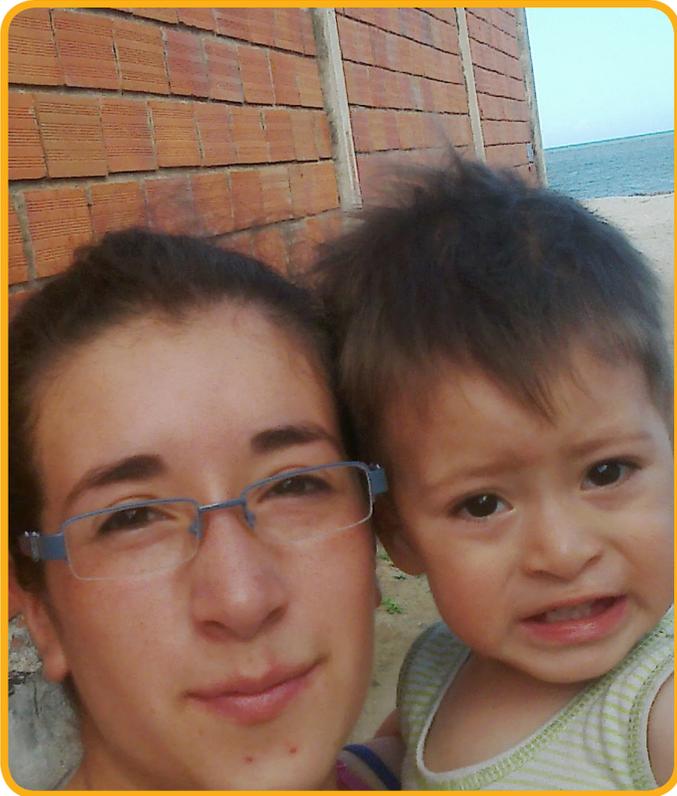




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## News

Urban violence caused the exit of the Bonilla Forero family who previously directed this project. The family refused protection from any movement or illegal armed group as that would only cause more violence. A leave taking service was held, but those affected continue to mourn the loss. Sadly, some behind the violent actions were killed and others are in juvenile detention.

## Update

The neighborhood “El Progreso” has experienced an increase in urban violence, yielding a balance of 16 dead, including some parents of children in CCN. The school community has been impacted deeply as members are forced to move into other neighborhoods in order to save their lives. This impacts the children’s learning as well as other aspects of their lives.

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## Unto the least of these

Hi, I’m Brayda Amaya. I’m 20 years old and I work as a teacher at CCN. I work with the pre-kindergarten students. It has been an enriching experience to not only teach these little ones but also to guarantee their care and well-being as if this were their second home.

I must tell you that El Progreso, where CCN is located, is surrounded by domestic violence that involves our little ones. In the midst of such sad things, we went to see the sea. We had the opportunity to go see Guajira and el Cesar (Valledupar, Manaure, El pájaro y Mayapo) and for those first days we didn’t want to come out of the water. It was a gift for all of us.

I have a two-year-old son. I am married by law although I long to get married in church. I belong to the Mennonite Brethren church in El Progreso, serving God in the worship and women’s ministry. My dream is to study to be a secretary, although I am not sure. Sometimes I have great enthusiasm for everything that has to do with administration. For now I will continue at CCN carrying out my work with the children.

Over the past few months our directors have left and new ones have been put in their place. Pray with us that God will work in their hearts so that His will can be done, both in the church and here at CCN.



The children are proud of their art work.



Performing at the graduation.

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