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2022 YE Annual President's Report

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Dear Supporters:

After a two-year absence, due to COVID issues, WE'RE BACK! In 2022 we started taking trips again.

On March 12, we escorted 10 people from the Green Valley, AZ area to Casa Vida Nueva para Niños (Orphanage) in Nogales, Sonora MX. This was the first coordinated visit since October 2019. The group spent the day with the children, listened to a presentation of their story, watched two singing performances by the children, toured their home, and ate a wonderful lunch. Support from the Green Valley, AZ Community and RISE Scholastic Achievements were acknowledged for helping fund high school, laptops, and university / trade school expenses for these orphaned children. Currently there are four students in Universidad (college) with two of them graduating this year. There are six students in preparatoria (high school) and seven in secundaria (junior high school).

On December 10th, we escorted 24 people from the Green Valley, AZ area for the annual Christmas Trip. Upon arrival, the group received an overview of the home and RISE Scholastic Achievements. It was announced that RISE had agreed to help fund a new program called ESL (English as a Second Language). The instructor was introduced and talked about the program which starts January 2023. After all 33 children were introduced; they performed five very special and professional dance routines. Next, we toured the facility and had lunch with the children. Afterwards, the kids received their Christmas gifts but they waited to open them until all kids had their presents. A count down started then BAMB – everyone started opening their gifts. A big hit was the personalized Christmas cards for each child. It was a great day to share the love of Jesus Christ with these children.

I want to thank the people around the U.S. for their encouraging support (physical, emotional, spiritual, and financial). Without their support, RISE would not have been able to supply the financial aid to the children's education. A special thanks goes to these major Green Valley organizations for their support: Valley Presbyterian Church, Desert Hills Lutheran Church (DHLC) and DHLC Sewing Bee (monitory donations from their boutique and 10 hand-made quilts), DHLC Foundation, and Valle Verde Rotary Club of Green Valley. Finally, I want to thank the RISE Board of Directors for its support and guidance during this challenging year.

To learn more about RISE Scholastic Achievements, Inc. go to the RISE website: www.risesa.org.

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