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# **Explore, Learn, and Dream: Experiences That Transform Childhood**



A day filled with wonder, learning, and joy with the children from the Shekiná program and the Positive Parenting moms from Dispensario Madre Cabrini. Their smiles say it all.

activities that left a lasting impact on the children involved.

Childhood needs more than just basic care; it needs experiences that awaken curiosity, spark dreams, and invite children to discover the world with new eyes. Guided by this belief, the Shekiná and Positive Parenting programs from Dispensario Madre Cabrini, along with the Chispa Modificado program from Dispensario San José, recently carried out two unforgettable

Children from the Shekiná program and their mothers, participants in Positive Parenting, enjoyed a magical visit to the Zoo. For many, it was their first time seeing animals like giraffes, elephants, lions, or toucans up close. Their faces lit up with wonder, reminding us how important it is to create moments that connect children with nature and inspire new questions. Together with their mothers, they not only learned about the animal world, but also strengthened emotional bonds in a joyful, playful environment.

Meanwhile, the children from the Chispa Modificado program explored the fascinating world of the Children's Museum. They moved through educational stations where science, art, communication, and daily life came alive through interactive



We explored, imagined, and learned without limits at the Children's Museum with the boys and girls from the Chispa Modificado program at Dispensario San José

exhibits. Every space was a chance to imagine, experiment, learn, and be amazed. More than just learning, the visit boosted their self-esteem and fueled their desire to grow.

These kinds of experiences go beyond education—they dignify childhood and reflect Cabrini Guatemala's commitment to the families we serve each day. Because one joyful moment can plant the seed of hope in a child's heart.

~ submitted by Vanessa Duenas, Cabrini Guatemala

### **Interested in Learning More about Pope Leo XIV?**

Some new resources:

Pope Leo XIV: Portrait of the First American Pope by Matthew Bunson

Pope Leo XIV: The First American Pope – Pediment Publishing

When the White Smoke Clears: A Guide to Pope Leo's Early Days – Ascension Press

## Prayer Requests

#### All 2025 Graduates

We invite God's blessing upon all graduates as they complete one chapter of their lives and anticipate the next. May the Holy Spirit continue to inspire and guide their paths. May all that they have learned through their years of study be for the benefit of the common good.

## Special Intention

A member of the Cabrinian community has asked for our prayers for a special intention.

# In Loving Memory

#### Tom McGowan

It is with sadness that we share the passing of Tom McGowan, the husband of Cabrini Lay Missionary Marianne McGowan. Tom passed away on this past Sunday after a long illness. May God's eternal light shine upon him. Please keep Marianne and her family in your prayers during this difficult time.

