

# AUDA Newsletter

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## Artisans United for the Development of Atitlan



Pastor Liliam has done another terrific job this year with the funds God has placed in our hands to send the women's children to school for 2009. Pastor Liliam is so frugal with the moneys, she shops in bargain houses instead of the Book Stores. For example she would buy a bottle of

glue in an out off the way shops for Q5 instead of Q11 at the Book store etc.

We are amazed at how every year there is an increase in AUDA's sales & donations. There are so many needs we barley make a dent.

We want to give thanks for Karen Pickett of Kansas with Education and More who has connected with Pastor Ben and Liliam to help send sponsorships through them for more scholarships, and brought many school supplies with her to donate to the women's groups. Her friend Judy was amazing also with her donation of sewing supplies to the weaving groups.

Due to the government of Guatemala and the contentious fight of the teachers here to get the supplies they need, fair wages, more teachers, and the increasingly over crowded class rooms (36 children per teacher), not enough desk or tables for all the children to sit and write. The children finally did get to start school the end of January instead of the 15th. When it all was said and done AUDA was able to help 173 children to go to school this year.



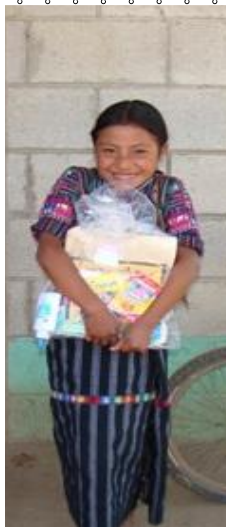
Oscar's Family

### Special points of interest:

- AUDA is partnering with Patti Katter from Guatemalan Harvest to raise funds to build a house for Oscar's family in Panajachel.
- Bobby and Freida are happy to return to Panajachel after a stay in the U.S. for a year.
- Bobby's mother is with us in Guatemala and loving being waited on hand and foot.



## Meet some of our Scholarship recipients



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### Baby Freida finally warms up to me:)



Freida Gladis continues to grow. She will be three years old February 28th. I was so Blessed of the Lord to be able to return to Guatemala and see her and her family a couple of weeks ago. For the first time ever Freida came to me and sat in my lap. She had always been shy and hid behind her mothers skirt tale. I guess when I left over a year ago she thought she would never see me again. When she saw me she came to me. I love it!



*“Whoever receives one little child like this in My name receives Me.”*

### Education and More



We pray the Lords Blessings over your life for your continued support with school supplies and grant moneys to help the women’s groups here in Guatemala.

For more information visit her site at:

[www.educationandmore.org](http://www.educationandmore.org)

We were Blessed to have Karen visit us in Panajachel this January . She visited with two of AUDA’s women’s groups that we work with and is negotiating business with them also. We were excited to find out both of us worked with one of the same natural dye groups in San Juan Laguna.

becoming a member of the Fair Trade Federation.

Karen is the founder of Education and More from Kansas. **Education And More** is a Christian charitable organization dedicated to helping educate children of the Lake Atitlan area of Guatemala and to reducing poverty in the communities by helping artisan groups obtain Fair Trade prices for their handcrafts. We wish her the best in



## Help us sell these women's products

AUDA works directly with local cooperatives and small businesses. This partnership enables them to increase their domestic sales and tap into international markets. The workers in these cooperatives earn a fair-living wage from their product. We give a 100% of the profits from the international sales to be reinvested into a community investment fund, for scholarships and

development in their communities . Help us bring the gospel of Jesus Christ to these women. Come women minister with me. WE can make a difference together. We love you all and think of you often.

God Bless you and keep you until we meet again.

Bob and Freida Cox

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Burgandy Crochet

set of three

**1 Tim 5:18**

***“The Laborer is worthy of his wages.”\****



Cotton Scarves  
Beautifully finished

### Prayer Request

Please continue to pray for our health.

For people of faith to come along side of us for support

Scholarship & sales to increase

More people give their hearts to Jesus - Amen!



Top quality beaded  
pillow covers