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Please visit www.mha-net.org
for more information



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It takes a skilled mason who has learned the art of building masonry heaters and bake ovens to do the job right. We suggest that you use this list as a starting point then ask for a list of references and look at the mason's past work before deciding who to hire for the job. Visit www.mha-net.org for an updated list.

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Young children who are constantly at their mothers side acquire lungs that are stunted for life. Children being children, and playing around the fire, often suffer serious and disfiguring burns. While tending the fire, the women subject their eyes daily to powerful doses of hot toxic wood smoke, resulting in diminished, or total loss of vision, or as the women there say, they "get clouds in their eyes", by the time they reach their 40's. Clearly, the 3 stone fire is the source of much misery for the Maya people.

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How you can help

You can help make a difference by contributing \$150 to build a Maya family an estufa. Some villages only need 25 estufas to go 3 stone fire free. You can make a bigger difference by telling your friends, or giving a presentation at your church or civic organization so that we can build more stoves. You can also make a huge difference in your own life by doing some of the above, and then join us when we go to Guatemala each winter to actually help us to build some estufas. All volunteers are responsible for all of their travel expenses.

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Masons on a Mission (MOM) mobilizes North American stone and brick masons, and other interested persons, to support the construction of hand built, clean burning, efficient, and vented masonry cook stoves (estufas) in some of the most remote villages of the Maya, in Guatemala. We have since gone on to help to train, and then hire local Maya to assist us with our estufa building. It is those masons that built the majority of our estufas. With a crew of Maya masons, stove building takes place year round, not just during our annual estufa building mission to Guatemala each February. Since our first mission in the year 2000, Masons on a Mission has built over 1000 estufas. Each estufa costs only \$150 to build. This past year we also funded some school construction and school repairs in the villages where we are also building stoves. I am hoping that you will agree that these are worthwhile projects that give clear and immediate long term results, and that you will consider it worthy of your support.

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