### "The Greatest Gift You Will Ever Receive is an Education"

Those were the words spoken to a young child by her mother. The child is now a mother herself and shares her mother's message with her own children.

Most farm workers work less than ten months of the year, following the crops with the seasons. The work is highly demanding, working long hours rain or shine and paying less than minimum wage.

The farm working life is especially hard on children. Frequent moves to follow the crops make keeping up in school particularly difficult. Many young people give up and never receive their high school diploma, instead following their parents back into the fields and into another generation living in poverty.



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## I Wish to Support Beth-El Mission's Education Programs by:

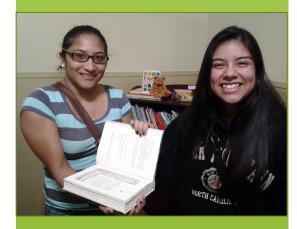
- ☐ Donating to Beth-El's College Fund
- ☐ Helping a young adult obtain their GED or learn English
- ☐ Sponsor a child to Cedarkirk
- ☐ Co-Sponsor a child's music lessons
- ☐ Organize a Back to School drive

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Feeding the Mind, Spirit, and Body of the farmworking community and our neighbors in need, through opportunities for hunger relief, education, healthcare, and spiritual growth.

### **Scholarship Programs**

# Supporting the Next Generation

"I have the desire to study hard and work towards my goals no matter the obstacle. I am determined to work hard, but without financial help it is hard to continue. My long term goal is to become a pediatrician."

2016 Scholarship Recipient, Mayra Espindola Recipient of the Anne Frank Humanitarian Award







### Beth-El Mission's Scholarship Programs

Beth- El encourages children and adults through a wide variety of educational scholarship programs. From children as young as five, to adults wishing to pursue a degree or learn a trade, Beth-El is ready to help.

### **College Scholarships**

One of our most important programs assists students wishing to pursue a college degree. Presently, Beth-El is able to offer three \$1,000 scholarships per semester. Our goal is to increase this fund over the next several years thereby enabling more qualified students the opportunity to attend college.

### **GED/ESOL Scholarships**

Over 50 students per semester benefit from Beth-El's GED/ESOL scholarships. These scholarships help students complete their high school equivalency or learn English as their second language. After the completion of their GED or ESOL, students are eligible to enroll in university or trade schools.

### Other Programs

Beth-El also assists young people experience summer camp at Cedarkirk; provide back to school supplies and new shoes for school; or supplement a child's tuition for music lessons.