

# Franklin Geovany Pineda

Franklin Geovany is known for the `white shirt`



At the age of 12 Geovany had **never** attended school because his mother lived in extreme poverty and was incapable to purchase the school uniform with the required white shirt. When AHLE started operations in San Francisco de Yojoa we became aware of this situation and met a bright and brilliant young kid, who most certainly deserved an opportunity.



So we sponsored him and paid for his school uniform and he started in first grade at the age of 12. Never getting into any trouble and being a fantastic example to the other kids he successfully graduated from 6<sup>th</sup> grade in 2008 with honors.

He has made the most tremendous transformation and never left any doubt whatsoever and confirmed our conviction that the children just deserve an opportunity and they will happily fulfill their dreams.



Because of age, Geovany had to leave the foundation after he graduated but he quickly found a job in a travel agency in San Pedro Sula. He is currently living in our transition house together with 4 other young men.

He is working during the day and studying at night in order to finish with a high school diploma. He has one of the most likeable and outgoing personalities. He is learning English and had the opportunity to visit Miami in January 2010 and meet with some sponsors and friends of the foundation. He would love to repeat and make more friends.



From his income he is helping his mother and 5 siblings. He also has taken out a loan and purchased his mother a permanent and decent home. Geovany is also a great soccer player and he enjoys every chance to go out with a couple of friends and have a good time.