



our children



Name:

**Maria Guadalupe Gonzalez**

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Age:

**Two**

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Maria, or Cuquita as she is lovingly called, came to Casa de la Esperanza on April 1, 2008 along with her five siblings: Martha, Andres, Hector, Sebastian, and Santiago. She comes from the Tarahumara heritage, and her family struggles with poverty, domestic abuse, and alcoholism. Cuquita did not have a birth certificate or a last name. She and her siblings have been neglected and not properly taken care of by their mother who struggles to make a living by working in the orchards around Cuauhtemoc. Cuquita is a cute and precious baby who warms everyone's heart with her sweet smile. Her older siblings like playing with her, and she is a blessing to everyone at Casa.