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***"... those who serve must serve with the strength that God gives them, so that in all things praise may be given to God through Jesus Christ, to whom belong glory and power forever and ever. Amen." 1 Peter 4:11 (GNT)***

Saludos friends, family and church family,

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. We pray this newsletter finds you well and you are feeling wonderfully blessed. We praise God for pouring out His grace on us daily. And we sincerely thank you for your prayers and support. You bless us and we are grateful for your hearts for Jesus and His mission. We have begun our last semester of language school and we thank God for blessing us with His strength and unending faithfulness to bring about His fulfillment in us. Along with classes resuming we were super blessed for the opportunity with the Nazarene church to serve during their Vacation Bible School. †



*We had a wonderful time shepherding, helping with Bible stories, crafts, music, (we found cups to be a perfect musical instrument ☺) and serving refreshments. A great opportunity to serve the community in our afternoons after class.*



*At the end of each day we were exhausted beyond words but our hearts were filled with His goodness as for the first time we 'felt' we were able to communicate in word and deed in ministry. Our words were not perfect but we could see on their sweet faces we understood each other!! A gift from God ... as well as the look on the faces of parents as their children presented on the final day thru music, dance and crafts all they had learned throughout the week!*



Language classes for us will end in November and we will be returning to the US and our home church in Evans, GA on mini-furlough in December for a few months. Our ministry account has taken a considerable hit from school tuition and the economy. We trust God and His faithfulness to continue providing. We are very excited about seeing family and friends and equally excited for what lies before us when we return to Ecuador in April. We have been in talks with the Bishop of the Methodist church here in Ecuador and he has expressed the needs of the church and where we can be best used by God here.

In the past, missionaries did not return to support raise and reestablish their support base until they had served for 5 years on the field, however, recently The Mission Society, along with career missionaries have found when missionaries leave the field for a full year or more it can be hard on the ministry and the people they have been called to serve. In April we will begin to be actively involved in outreach daily, serving with Compassion International. It is our hope we will not have to return to the US for 2-3 years on another mini-furlough as we are helpers in God ministry and need to stay on the field. Another reason to return after school is to raise support for more permanent, safe housing, and transportation. We have moved 3 times in 8 months as housing can be uncertain here. Where we are being sent is in a more remote area and the closest grocery store is an hour's drive away, it will be difficult to shop for food and ministry materials for ministry's serving 200 to 300 or more children without adequate transportation and buses are not always safe. We have plans to sell our car in the States before returning to Ecuador to help with the purchase of a ministry vehicle. †



*These 3 photos are among 1000's of the reasons we need to learn the national language to share the Gospel and God's love, return home briefly to support raise, and then get back here as soon as possible. There is sooo much Kingdom work that we 'GET' to do here for Jesus!*

If you would like for us to share personally with you or your church family all God is doing in our lives and the lives of the people in Ecuador please contact us via email so we can make sure we schedule time with you while we are home. We need your help so together we can continue serving Him by serving the lost. We love, love, love being used by God and this life of following Him into the world ... total dependence on God and being in the midst of the workings of His hand in our lives is truly astounding and a precious privilege.

**Please contact us ASAP if we may share with you while we are stateside; God's work and heart in Ecuador – speaking availability  
January 2 – March 31, 2013**

We ask for your continued prayers for God's provision for the mission He has planned for us ... also provision for our flight home ... and for the doors of heaven to open wide and provide us more ministry partners. Please pray that we boldly speak God's Word wherever we go; in word and in action, and that we never forget who we are and to Whom we belong. We praise God from Whom ALL blessings flow. We love you.†

Yours in Christ,

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Thank you, thank you again for your continued prayers and financial support  
which not only helped get us to the field BUT will help keep us  
on the field for all of our days.

Please feel free to forward, mail-out or print our Newsletter for your  
Sunday school class, small group, Church or friends ... Blessings!

***"The thing that makes a missionary is the sight of what Jesus did on the  
cross and to have heard Him say, 'GO'." ~Oswald Chambers***

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