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**"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." How, then, can they call on the name of the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? Romans 10: 13-15**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We praise the Lord for all He is doing in our lives as we prepare to serve in Ecuador; for filling us with His Holy Spirit to guide and direct us, and for pouring out His grace upon us. We pray He has been blessing you wonderfully during this month and that your life has been filled with His mercy. Thank you for your continued prayers and financial support as we move forward toward the plan and purpose He has for us. We continually see the results of your prayers and we are truly grateful. You are special people called by our Lord to minister to His children; for some He calls to send and some He calls to go. Thank you for your faithfulness to Him and to us. †

We are seeing God's hand move in our lives as we continue seeking His direction of ministry for us in Ecuador. The Holy Spirit has opened our hearts to teaching English at the school (pictured) in Pastocalle. Expanded construction on the school is in progress and we are excited at all the possibilities that lie before us as we prepare and learn the ESL (English Second Language) program while here in the U.S. seeking partnership for our future ministry in Ecuador. It is our prayer and openness to the Holy Spirit's guidance that as the children come to learn English...we will set the example of Christ...living and working incarnationally alongside them, and as relationships build...invite the children to Saturday morning Kid's Clubs in the community and in our home, where we'll teach them the stories of Jesus. The school is not a Christian school but God is there, using the school and the English program to draw people unto Him which will lead to ministries outside the school. It is also our prayer that parents will come along with their children, leading to small group Adult Bible studies and Men and Women's ministries in the community. We thank God for this privilege. †



Education Center

Sharing the Gospel of Christ through Teaching English and Relationship Building



Many children in the Pastocalle region get up very early to work a few hours in the fields prior to attending school. They have a great desire to learn, especially English. They

see the English language as a way out of their poverty and despair. Our hearts are broken for these people whose traditional religious practices include the ceremonial use of the coca leaf and pilgrimages to sacred mountains, known as Apus; spiritism, folk religion and the mixture of catholic beliefs with their tribal beliefs still exist today. As we are drawn to these people we are deeply saddened for them, but at the same time our hearts overflow with gladness as we look to our future of teaching and sharing the love of God, the hope of Christ, and the peace of the Holy Spirit that dwells within with the children and adults of the Pastocalle region. Thanks be to God. †

Please be in prayer with us as we continue to raise a foundation of prayer and financial support to minister in Ecuador; for the Lord to open hearts to join us in the ministry of making Disciples to make Disciples. Please pray for the leaders of the churches in Ecuador, and for their spiritual protection and growth in the Lord Jesus. Please pray for our ministry team leaders, Tim and Daina Datwyler as they seek God's will for advancing the ministry in Ecuador. Please pray for our safety as we travel, and that we will boldly speak God's Word wherever we go. †

We pray God gives you peace and joy, and may He continue to bless you. We love you. †

Yours in Christ,

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