



The Mission Society

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Little Andy and his homemade frozen all-fruit popsicle, a crowd favorite at The Door of Hope!

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"For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others ..."
Matthew 20:28 (NLT)

Saludos friends, family and church family,

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord Jesus. We pray this mission letter finds you well, full of hope and filled with His goodness! We praise God for pouring out His grace on us day by day. And we sincerely thank you for your prayers and support as together we join Jesus in His mission on the equator. We are blessed by your prayers and financial partnership and we are humbled by your hearts for God, His children, and for us. †

We love so very much every opportunity to serve ... the month of August came with multiple days and week long Vacation Bible Schools from Chaquibamba to Carcelén-Quito. In Chaquibamba at The Door of Hope we were asked by our field leaders to come and help with music and we had so much fun teaching children from 3 – 12 years old and above to sing together new songs to heaven. We were learning right alongside each child as lots of songs here are new to us too. Our friends and mission supporters, the Howards from TN were there as well affording us the privilege to serve together, and one another. We are so very grateful for your support which also afforded us the privilege to help with some of the costs of VBS supply needs ... we are grateful and humbled by your generous hearts for mission. †



During VBS at The Door of Hope in one of the dramas used to teach the children the Bible Story of Daniel's faith in GOD, Graham was thrown (placed nicely!) into the Lion's Den while the children were hearing the story in more detail in a different location ... he was later pulled safely out! During music the children learned hand movements to each song and on Sunday each age group presented their song and then all sang together for their parents. Everyday all the adults and children received a special snack and hot meal.



God has called us all to shine, just as much as Daniel was sent into Babylon to shine. Let no one say that they cannot shine because they do not have the gifts that others may have. What God wants us all to do is to use the specific gifts He has given each of us ... and in our faithfulness ... He is always and forever faithful towards us.

VBS in Carcelén–Quito later in the month was equally special for us. We were given different ministries in which to be part of this church’s summer week long program. Serving more in leadership and organization ministry and providing (through so many of you) the snacks each day for 80 – 100 from Monday – Saturday. On Saturday the church was filled with parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, and (baby) siblings everywhere as the VBS kid’s sang and shared all they learned during the week. We were so very impressed to hear many from all the age groups recite Bible verses they memorized – one everyday. Many knew all five. We were especially blessed to hear one 3 year old, Leah (a little mumbled) say her verse and then clap so hard grinning from ear to ear ... she was so proud of herself!! We were proud too! And super blessed to help with both church’s programs and be part of the mission of Jesus in two different communities. We reconnected with some old friends and met lots of new friends. †

As we continue seeking to do His will, continue with language tutoring, and build relationships here, we are most grateful for the Holy Spirit’s leading and patience with us and GOD’s goodness towards us every minute of every day. We are in awe of His attentiveness in our lives ... the big moments as well as the often times insignificant ones when we sense His presence the most in our lives ... we have come to realize that nothing is wasted in the service of GOD. †



Our smallest and most consistent group for VBS in Carcelén ... always FULL of energy ... with an abundance of hugs and kisses ... little people with BIG hearts!!

It is a great privilege to live and serve here ... we ask for your continued prayers for God to give us clarity and direction in all He has called and planned for us to do, among these amazing people in this little country where Jesus has asked us to shine for His glory. It is the joy of our hearts to be here. Please also pray for our safety as we travel in and out of our community and throughout this country to be His light. 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 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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