

Family Update

Our girls are nearly finished with their first semester of the school year. We are adjusting to having Sabrina far from home (at Moody Bible Institute in Chicago), but so glad that she loves Moody and is making lots of friends. We're looking forward to time together as a family for Thanksgiving and Christmas! We appreciate your prayers for all three girls and God's direction for them in the future.

You prayed. God provided. Meet Carlos.

You have been praying for our need to hire a ministry leader in Honduras. This person is the critical link that makes it possible for the profits of HOPE Coffee to fund servant evangelism efforts through the local churches. Thank you for praying! God provided Pastor Carlos Ramos to join us this past July. We are very thankful for him, his wife Maria and their family. Carlos is a perfect fit with his 17 years as a pastor, 13 years as treasurer of the Central American church network, and 20 years of training other pastors, which has resulted in about 120 pastors that he has mentored over the years. After Carlos received the necessary training from Abelardo (our national ministry leader in Mexico) he began searching for an opportunity to share the gospel in his community. It wasn't long until God opened up a door for three local churches to help a family in need.



Carlos, Maria and family



Martin, Gladis and family next to old home

Lightening from a storm earlier this year had struck a tree that was very close to the small wood and stick house where Martin and Gladis lived with their 5 children. Thankfully no one was hurt, but Pastor Joel knew that they needed a better way to care for their family, especially since they had a sixth child on the way, no running water, no kitchen and no bathroom in their house. So Pastor Joel, Pastor Walter, and Pastor Carlos began to pray together to see how their three churches could help this family.

HOPE Coffee was thrilled to be able to provide the majority of the funds needed to build this family a solid cinder block house. In September, the pastors were able to

take Martin along with them as they bought the various materials to construct the new home. When one store owner heard what they were doing, he asked if he could help by donating the cost to transport the cinder blocks up the mountain to their home! The work on the house continued through the month of September. By early October, Martin's wife, Gladis, was ready to deliver their sixth child and went into labor. Martin carried her up over the mountain for about a mile where a member of Pastor Walter's church met them and gave them a ride to the hospital an hour away. While they were gone, Pastor Joel and his church stepped in to provide food



New home under construction

for the other children who were at home. A few days later as Martin was reflecting on all that had happened to their family, he shared the following: "...there is no doubt that God's hand is moving everything for me and my family." Please pray for Martin and Gladis. They are very close in trusting in Jesus. Pray for the community of Cerro Grande where they live. The people in this community are observing these Christians who are showing God's love with no conditions or strings attached. Pray for Pastor Joel, Pastor Walter, and Pastor Carlos. They are living examples of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

HOPE Coffee

Over these next few months, HOPE Coffee will be introducing a refreshed logo, a new coffee from Guatemala that we are adding to our line, a new ministry that we will be supporting in Guatemala, a new coffee shop in the Dallas area, and several other exciting things that are in progress. We are convinced that HOPE Coffee would not have the impact that it has and continues to have if it were not for your prayers for our team. Thank you for praying and walking this road with us!

"The heart of man plans his way, but the LORD establishes his steps." – Proverbs 16:9 ESV

Together we serve better,

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