



Finger Prints of Faith

"...whose son is this?"



When King Saul asked, "whose son is this?" in I Samuel, he was told that it was little David, the son of Jesse who had killed Goliath. When the police asked, "whose son is this?", no answer came about this little boy who was found in the street, half dead, malnourished and infested with parasites. At 18 pounds his estimated age was four years old. He was hospitalized for three months and still no answer came. The people at the hospital named him Christian, fittingly, as the name means anointed. Just as David was anointed at a young age, Christian was anointed before the beginning of time. God has a special purpose for Christian.

He came to live at "Casa de Fe". Here he will learn of his real Father who will never leave him and will provide for his needs. He will never again hunger or be alone. Let us all rejoice in seeing him grow to become a mighty man of God.

Christian has a long way to go to be a healthy little boy but is on his way. Please pray that God's will be done in and through this tiny little boy.

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"Casa de Fe" "House of Faith" News and Updates

Praise and Prayer

- ☺ Mariela is doing great after hip surgery. She gets her cast off 6 March, 2 days after her 4th birthday.
- ☺ 2 children are living with their adoptive families. 2 more are waiting God's timing. Pray for the families and the Ecuadorian government. His will be done.
- ☺ Please pray for the purchase of land. We are caring for 12 children in a 3 bedroom house.
- ☺ Volunteers have come forward so that I can come to the US. God is Good. I am planning furlough for 21, July through 18 September. Please pray that plans come together.
- ☺ Joey is planning to go to Minnesota for work and school. Praise the Lord for Mary and Pastor John Tenjack for their gracious offer and the work they are doing with the "Under Ground Church". Please pray for peace for Joey and especially for me. My baby and right hand man is going to seek God's will for his life.



Veronica

This is Veronica. She was born with spina bifida. Veronica can use both legs but cannot feel her right leg. Over 2 years ago, Veronica stepped on a nail and got an infection in her heel because she has no feeling in her right leg she didn't realize the severity of the infection. In January she was brought to the local mission hospital. She had surgery and was hospitalized for three weeks. She came to live here at "Casa de Fe" until her foot is healed which could take as long as 3 months. Veronica has never had the opportunity to learn to read or write so we are taking this time God has given her to teach her these skills. She is a fast learner and we pray she will be doing a Bible study on her own soon. She has been a real blessing helping to feed the babies and round up the toddlers. Please pray for God's direction in the life of this precious 14 year old's life. 

Please send donations to: CornerStone International, P.O. Box 192, Wilmore, KY 40390. Put "Casa de Fe", or "Make a difference"—for Fernando, in the memo line of the check. Donations can also be made from the CI web site: www.cornerstoneinternational.org Click on Make a Donation at the top of the Home page .

Can you help?

I would like to introduce you to Fernando. He is the grandson of Ines, who has worked for me for over 2 years. Ines has raised 7 children of her own and is also raising Fernando due to the death of her daughter, Fernando's mother, and lack of interest on his father's part. Fernando is a very bright young man who will be starting secondary school in the Fall. He excels in Math and the Sciences and would very much like to continue his studies. There is an excellent school in the area that he would like to attend, but Ines cannot afford to send him.



If you would like to help this young man, you can send a one-time or monthly donation to CornerStone Int'l and put the project name "Make a Difference" on the memo line of the check. I will make sure the donations are used for Fernando and, if you like, I can send you updates on his progress. The annual cost is \$400. That covers registration, uniforms, books and materials. There is also a monthly fee of \$20. 🖐️



From Saul to Paul

Saul came to us from Hospital Vozandes, the mission hospital here in Shell. He had been admitted to the hospital because he was vomiting 7 inch long worms and running a fever. Truth be told, he was so malnourished that the worms were crawling out of his stomach to find something to eat. Paul is the 7th sibling of 8 from 8 different fathers. His grandfather is a witch doctor in the Rain Forest. When Saul came to live at "Casa de Fe" I changed his name to Paul and told him God was about to change his life. One day a pastor from Cuenca (about 8 hours away by bus) was visiting some friends in Shell and they brought him over to visit the kids. As soon as he saw Paul he said "I have a couple in my church and Paul is meant to be their son. They have been married for 5 years and have not been blessed by any children". About a month later the couple came to visit Paul and of course fell in love with him. It has been over a year since that first visit but I am very happy to announce that Paul has a new family and as you can see he looks like his new mother, just as God planned all along. 🖐️

This has been a very busy and very blessed two months. We had a group here from Minnesota that came to put on a retreat for the missionaries in the Pastaza and chose to use their free time to do some projects around Shell. The men started the building of a house for a poor family in Shell while the ladies descended on "Casa de Fe" to paint and decorate two of the kids' bedrooms. As you could tell by February's calendar they also made time to take some of the kids for a walk. The men also built a swing set for the kids.

Some of the girls from "Nate Saint School" continue to come every Thursday after school to read, and sing with the kids. This has become a weekly highlight. Recently the girls had a bake sale and garage sale and raised \$40 for "Casa de Fe". These girls are growing in the Lord and being a blessing to us at the same time. God is good.

I am busy getting ready for furlough. I have four months before I will be in the US again but it will be a busy time and I want to see as many of you as possible. I am getting in contact now with all the Churches I would like to visit and in my next newsletter I will try to publish a schedule so you will all know when I will be in your area. I would love to spend time with as many of you as possible so feel free to write or e-mail me so I can put you on my calendar. I would also love to talk to any groups, big or small so please pray about setting up a coffee, brunch, luncheon, or evening fellowship.

"Dios les bendigas a todos" "God bless you all"

Patti Sue



"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid"

John 14:27