



# Christian Light Foundation Costa Rica

EVANGELISM and DISCIPLESHIP

in the hard places of Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Honduras, and Venezuela

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The school year begins this month in Costa Rica. More than half of Costa Rican students do not graduate from high school. Only 43% of students who entered their senior year received diplomas in December when the school year ended. The rest either dropped out during the year or failed their courses. Just graduating from sixth grade is the goal (dream) for most families living in these areas.

Many youth return from school to homes where no adult is waiting for them, and often no food is available. God has provided the children's feeding center as a place where there is someone waiting to help, encourage, feed, and love those who need it most, all in the name of our Lord Jesus.

Our relationship with the children at the feeding center helps us identify those who might not be in class today because they don't have the required school uniform. There are mothers making hard choices about which of their children to send to school, given their very limited resources. Many mothers face the daunting decision of which of their children to send to school and which not to, because of the cost of uniforms. A mother with 3 grade-school children often only sends 2 of them.

Thanks to the generous donations of God's people, many kids started school this month with uniforms and/or school supplies. Thank you!

Violence and danger are a daily reality. We see people living in dirt poverty every day. We cry with those being abused. We pray for the violence in the homes. We grieve for those who will not listen to the Truth, knowing that their eternal destination will be an unspeakable horror. We count it a privilege to go into these areas talking about our Lord, and there is no whining allowed. We pray for compassion, and one of the things compassion does is meet people's physical needs. We feed, clothe, shelter, visit, protect, educate, and provide school uniforms, all in the name of Jesus. And we do it, not because they deserve it, and not only because they need it, but because in doing these things, we minister to Christ himself. What a wonderful privilege this is! (Matt. 25:40) Do you ever wonder why God doesn't step in decisively to punish evil people and help the poor? We often wonder why God's people don't step in decisively to resist evil and help the poor. *"He pled the cause of the afflicted and needy; then it was well. Is not that what it means to know Me?" Declares the Lord.* Jeremiah 22:16

We love sharing pictures of the smiling, happy young people at La Finca. It is, however, a contrast to where they live. After lunch or discipleship, they must go home. From the world's point of view, the places we are called to are forgotten places of violence and hopelessness. But people are finding hope! That hope is found only in Jesus Christ.

The ministry can be hard. It is no surprise that Satan wages a fierce battle against the advance of God's kingdom. Life on the front lines can be a bloody mess. There have been times of deep discouragement. There have been times of despair and crying out to God. We have seen danger and evil up close. But there have also been times over the past nearly 24 years to jump, shout, and rejoice. We are eye witnesses of God's majesty. Thank you for praying and partnering with us!

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Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age. Matthew 28:19-20



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