



Christian Light Foundation Costa Rica

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

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271st consecutive monthly newsletter



A daily devotional book is available to everyone throughout the entire ministry, including Nicaragua, Honduras, and Venezuela. Many pastors from new churches are requesting copies for their members. Mark has now written one for the past **18** years. The format is simple: read a text and then respond with a few questions. Sometimes, we read through an entire book of the Bible; other times, we focus on a subject by reading texts from several places.

There are **11** people on the executive ministry board. They meet at least once a month and oversee the entire ministry. All of them, except for the two of us, are from the slum of Los Guido. Several have grown up in the ministry, having spent over 20 years there.

There are **30** distinct ministry areas under the executive ministry board's supervision. Each of these ministries has the goal of evangelism and discipleship and is regularly evaluated based on that criterion. Next month, the board will conduct an in-depth review of each of those ministries, seeking ways to be more effective in producing long-term fruit and to make decisions about what to eliminate due to budget constraints or lack of fruit.

There are currently **23** discipleship books. Each book consists of answering questions and memorizing a biblical text each week. When a student meets with their teacher, all the questions are discussed, the text is given from memory, and the student presents their devotional for the teacher to review and discuss. To pass from one book to the next, the student must recite all the verses from that book to another teacher. Some of the biggest smiles can be found on our Facebook page, where some students are holding up their new books. If you look closely, you can also see relief on their faces because it is such a difficult thing for most people. A PDF copy of the books is sent to our ministry partners and teachers in other countries, where the ministry provides the funds needed to make the copies/books.



1,406 bags of groceries were given this year to families in desperate need. The groceries can help feed their family for about a week.



The Children's feeding center opened in early 2012 and serves a hot lunch to those from infants to 18 years old, six days a week. **1,375,000** plates of food have been served there through the end of 2025. This has proven to be one of the most fruitful ministries over the years as many have accepted Christ and have become disciple-making disciples.

28 people faithfully served in the New Life Church Los Guido all of this last year.

We praise God for the access He has provided to the grade schools where we have regular contact with **2,480** students. Sharing the gospel and building relationships in the schools has proven fruitful this past year. For the third year in a row, the sixth-grade graduation from one of the schools was held at La Finca this month.

There are **165** teachers and administrators in those schools. God has given us greater access and favor with this critical group over the past year. There are now fun days at La Finca only for the teachers during the year. Also, many of the teachers are bringing only their class to La Finca for focused teaching sessions, along with some fun activities.

We will celebrate **24** years of serving the Lord in Latin America this next year, **half of our married life**. Wow! We are *still* excited about what the future will bring! God's faithfulness knows no bounds!



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