



# Christian Light Foundation Costa Rica

EVANGELISM and DISCIPLESHIP

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

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## Prayer and Praise

Nearly 24 years ago, when we arrived in Costa Rica and began going to the slum of Los Guido, there was no police presence. A short while later, they built a small one-room “police station.” The two policemen assigned to that place rarely left the building. Over a year ago, they started to build a large new police station, and they finished it last month. As a ministry, we reached out to the new commanders to introduce ourselves and explain what we do and stand for. They were excited to meet us and came to La Finca to discuss partnership possibilities. They took lots of pictures and had lots of ideas. A week later, they said they would like to use the large gym to host different segments of Los Guido for training and teaching, with a particular focus on teenagers. Specific dates have already been agreed on. Praise God for this new partnership that has many exciting possibilities. Please pray for God to surprise us by how He uses it to expand His kingdom.

There are three major outreach efforts planned over the next couple of months. The all-day **Children’s Camp** for ages 6 to 11 will be on April 25. All first-time kids will receive an invitation to a special activity the following day for them and their parents. **Fear Factor Los Niños** for teams of four ages 7 to 12 will be on May 16. This is a full day of serious competition with mostly dirty and disgusting games. For this outreach, parents and friends are invited to stay for the day to cheer on their teams, so they will also hear the gospel. The top three teams receive a candy prize package, the coveted church medal, and a Fear Factor t-shirt. Those shirts are often seen at the feeding center from past competitions. Finally, the **Sixth Grade Camp** (normally ages 12-15) is on May 30. This is a difficult age group here in Los Guido, and this all-day camp can be exhausting to manage and run because of the fights, language issues, and so on. However, this outreach has proven fruitful, as many new kids have come since there are no little brothers and sisters around. Please pray for the leaders and for the teams that are already praying and planning. Please pray for a clear presentation of the gospel and for hearts ready to hear it and respond to it.

The new school year started at the end of last month. The ministry has already met with the schools' leadership, and they confirmed that access to the schools will again be open to us all year. There is a lot of movement into and out of the slums, so we are especially ready to go and meet all of the new kids. Please pray for meaningful relationships.

Please continue to pray for the children’s feeding center, where youth from newborn to 18 years old can come six days a week for a good, hot lunch. Of the 30 ministries, the feeding center remains one of the most fruitful ministries, with regular decisions made for Jesus and new disciples.

The women’s ministry meets every other week for two hours. There are now more than 40 women who regularly attend the meeting, and the leaders shared at the last board meeting that new women attend nearly every meeting. Every woman is in discipleship. Praise God that many leaders have come from this large group and are serving in the church today.

A new global report ranks Costa Rica as having the world's second-worst traffic, just behind Nigeria. When an accident occurs, the law requires that no vehicles be moved until both the traffic police and an insurance agent arrive. At times, this results in hours of backed-up traffic. We always pray for safety on the roads.

Evangelism and discipleship are the solid cornerstones of the entire ministry. Please pray that the Word of God, through discipleship, would totally change the lives of children, teenagers, and adults alike. Pray that disciples would know and obey the call to make even more disciples. Pray for long-term fruit as disciples make disciples. Pray for the funding needed for the discipleship materials.

We received an invitation to participate in a missions conference in Arizona the weekend of March 20-22. New Hope Fellowship has been faithfully supporting the ministry for many years. We are very excited to share how we have seen the majesty of God displayed before our very eyes in some of the darkest places. Also, it is always wonderful to visit a supporting church to say THANK YOU in person!

To those reading this, thank you all for your heartfelt prayers and partnership. We are deeply grateful to have you by our side. God is at work in life-changing ways!



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