

Walk with La Providencia, Nicaragua



Get to know La Providencia and its people

La Providencia is located 6 miles from the urban area of the Quilalí municipality. It has a population of 550 inhabitants of which 200 are children, with a total of 156 households. This community is located on the road that leads from Quilalí to the Ocotlán Nueva Segovia departmental main city. It is suitable for Agriculture, livestock and grow corn and beans, which is the main activity of this community. In lesser proportions, coffee is grown, this is thanks to the climatic and altitude conditions that the community presents.



FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY

Families from La Providencia are hard-working people, but not too well organized. Most of them are working in informal business and agriculture. La Providencia's location by the main highway opens up door to fast and active commerce, not only over agricultural products but also over new undertaking opportunities.

The majority of their homes lack basic sanitation and are built with rustic construction materials, do not have access to safe water or drainage. Elementary education is available, sponsored by the government, but education quality is not optimal. Many of the huge number of teenagers, drop out high school education. They start at an early age to work and abandon the school idea, most decide to get involved in a relationship and only the 20% of teenagers attend University. Families in this location survive with a dollar per day. Most of parents immigrate to different countries in the pursuit of new opportunities leaving their children behind, and in the care of a family member or grandparents.

A community full of potential

In spite of all the above limitations, hope stands strong in La Providencia...



Partnership for a better future

Our local office in Nicaragua has been invited to work together with La Providencia's families, and We have started working in this community in 2021 and we plan to continue being there until the year 2031.

FH is working through its values: We follow Jesus, our work is relational, we invest wisely and focus on results, we serve with Humility, we seek beauty, truth, and goodness. Knowing that without the help of God and the Holy Spirit the families and all the actors of the community will not be able to fulfill their goals and purposes in their lives, in the same way they will not develop their God given potential.

FH has been guiding the La Providencia Community and their families in the search for transformation by aligning their lives to the unique truth that is our Lord and the practice of his commandments to become a better place for their children.

We have been working with all interested parties. Our dream is that families would find hope in Jesus for a better life, health and nutrition, education, because of a biblical comprehension of life and relationships.



We are already seeing some huge results. We have been training farmers on agriculture practices, livestock activities, and crops supplies. We have been supporting undertaking initiatives where people are learning about new ways of managing their own business. We hope to form savings groups which work as small community owned and managed

banks where people can save and get loans at low interest rates. We also responded to situations to home emergency or crisis situations, providing them with food packages or construction material. Last but not least, we already have equipped children, schools and leaders with hygiene kits for Covid-19 prevention.

Hand in hand with local Church

Local Church is a strategic partner in La Providencia community. An empowered and envisioned Church will continue to pray, care, and engage into community dynamics.

FH has started deep a meaningful relationship with the Evangelical Church in order to train them to be an active shareholder in the development plans of the community, guiding them through a journey of transformation.



God is working in La Providencia community through the FH Program, as a means of liaison to bring physical and spiritual development to help community through a community transformation plan where community members speak into their own projects to transform their community and more efficiently advocate for such a process with different government and non-government institutions.

We hope that by 2031, La Providencia community will no longer depend on the program, but rather would commit themselves to walk together with the entire community through service among themselves and be able to carry out each of the proposed projects, walking with the help of God and the guidance of the Holy Spirit to see both physical and also spiritual transformation achieved in the families, especially in future generations.

God's Work from the beginning to the end

God is working in this community. He has opened many doors for FH's participation. God will remain faithful to this community long after we and our partners leave the area. In fact, FH believe that healthy development and community transforming start with an exit strategy. A community graduated from extreme poverty.



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Ways to contribute

Prayer

Pray for protection against COVID-19 and the health of all children, families and FH staff. Pray for a good raining season so that families can guarantee their food and access to water.

Sponsor a Child

This would allow FH have full time staff to interact with community members and invest in their mutual relationship, thus implementing our children Centered Community Transformation model.

Support special projects

- Covid -19 Provision of Food and Hygiene Emergency kits.
- Water and sanitation infrastructure.
- Improvement of School infrastructure.
- Support local entrepreneurial ideas.
- Improve local churches buildings
- Create opportunities to engage women in local economic dynamics.
- Improve road accesses.