



## Tignor's Tracks Following the Savior's Footsteps in Ecuador



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Dear Pastor and Church Family,

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One of the main news items these days in the United States concerns people who are not American citizens seeking (and finding) employment. Ecuador is facing a similar situation, with people flooding into the country from Venezuela, seeking relief from the severe shortage of...well, everything, there. They come, hoping against hope that they can find a way to create a future for their families, because staying in Venezuela means hopelessness and futility.

Patricia is a Venezuelan who recently started working for Nexar, a church member who specializes in vehicle body work. Nexar needed someone to cook the noon meal for him and his employees, so that he would not have to take several hours off work each day to make sure everyone got fed. (In Ecuador, lunch—the main meal of the day—is often considered part of a worker's salary.) Since Nexar lives only with his 16-year-old daughter, he also wanted some help with the laundry (which is done by hand) and light cleaning around the house so his daughter can focus on her studies. So the Lord provided help in the form of Patricia.

Nexar talked some of spiritual matters with Patricia, and found that she was eager to listen and wanted to hear more. I went over there one Monday to visit her, and opened God's Word and shared with her His marvelous plan of salvation. That day Patricia received God's gift of eternal life and became a citizen of Heaven.

Another day I was assisting Nexar with a problem, and a neighbor of his stopped in. We started chatting, and the conversation turned to things of the Lord. Since Nexar was working with one ear tuned to the conversation, he went into the house and soon returned with chairs, glasses of water, and his Bible. After about two hours of opening the Scriptures, a new name was written down in Glory. Nexar reminds me in some ways of the apostle Andrew—he is always trying to bring others to Jesus.

One recent Sunday afternoon, our family went to the park to have a quick snack and do some "fishing," Jesus-style. My wife and the girls stopped by the restroom before heading out to look for prospects. Leaving the restroom, they came upon James who was chatting with a lady and her teenaged daughter. James introduced his mom and handed the conversation over to her, while he and Daniel went in search of someone else. When he encountered a young man, Julio, they started chatting; and James shared the gospel with him. Julio decided to trust the Lord as his Savior that afternoon, and James returned to the car rejoicing as well. When my wife joined us, she reported that the mother with whom she had been speaking had also prayed to accept Christ as Savior. The "fish" are out there, waiting; all that is needed is someone to cast the net.

Jesus promised that He would build His church. Our responsibility is to share the gospel and make disciples, and as we do that, **HE** will build the church. We are praying that He will see fit to build this church in Portoviejo for His glory. As we anticipate returning to the States for furlough next year, we are wondering who will take the helm while we are away. Would you pray with us that God will meet this need? Thank you so much for your faithful prayers and financial support. Your partnership with us is such a blessing, and the reason that we can stay here ministering for the Lord.

Serving the Lord in Portoviejo, Ecuador,

Chris & Lois Tignor

Children: Elisabeth, James, Grace, Christina, and Daniel

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