#### WHAT YOU CAN DO

Partnership missions give you an opportunity to become personally involved in what God is doing in world missions.

**Pray daily** for the work in Nicaragua and Ecuador.

**Give financially.** We are a faith mission and are dependent upon your financial gifts. Please pray about becoming involved in the support of our mission. "As long as the Lord provides I will give ... \$25 \$50 \$100 \$\_\_\_\_ a month."

#### **Current Needs:**

□ Pastor and Church Leadership Training Ministry in Ecuador. Each trip costs approximately \$4,000 and covers airplane tickets, room and board, rent for truck, gas, local workers, textbooks and food for students.

# **Pray for Alberto Copa as he coordinates our work in Ecuador.**

□ Pray for evangelism saturation teams to come and do door-to-door evangelism and rallies at night.

 Pray for scholarships for Peniel Theological Seminary students in Riobamba, Ecuador.

 Pray for Aristides Bustillo and the new church plant in Estelí, Nicaragua.
Pray for Evangelism in Depth workshops with Nicaragua Baptist pastors.

Pray for wisdom to know where the Lord is leading to conduct evangelism workshops, and where to focus teaching ministry. We have been asked to return every three months and teach Ecuador pastors.



Alberto and Nancy Copa coordinate Abide in Christ in Ecuador. Alberto is a Quichua pastor with 20 years' experience and Rector of Peniel Theological Seminary.

□ We are presenting one-day, three-day weekend, and one week Evangelism Workshops in churches in Latin America. These are proven practical and effective personal evangelism workshops for pastors and church leaders. The vision for training rural pastors began with a course on personal evangelism while serving as a missionary in Honduras.

# □ All gifts to Abide in Christ are tax deductible under IRS 501 (c) (3) tax exempt status.

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"Expect great things from God! Attempt great thing for God!"

# Evangelism in the ''Banana Capital of the World''



Quichua evangelism conference in Machala, Ecuador

"Before they call, I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear" (Isaiah 65:24).

New Peniel Theological Seminary extension started in Guayaquil, Ecuador.

Achala, Ecuador is one of the largest banana exporters in the world and calls itself the "Banana Capital of the World." Other high exports are coffee, shrimp, and cocoa shipped out from nearby Puerto Bolivar.

The coastal highway toward this Pacific port city plows through hundreds of miles of vast swaths of banana plantations in every direction. An hour further south lies the Peruvian border.



Cacao from which chocolate beans are extracted

There are two universities, numerous private schools, and a strong evangelical work in the city. There are three Quichua bilingual (Spanish and Quechua) churches in Machala.

There was excitement in the Quichua church when I arrived. They had been requesting our evangelism conference for over a year. I began the four day evangelism conference on Sunday night and spoke to a packed congregation about "Bad News – Good News." I took them down the Roman Road to share how easy it is to present the plan of salvation to a friend.



One of the many demonstrations on personal witnessing at the conference

Each participant received a free copy of my workbook on personal evangelism, and a free pocket New Testament in Spanish. I taught them an easy way to mark their New Testament with the plan of salvation, and then gave a demonstration on how to use their testaments in sharing Christ with unsaved friends. The class was divided into groups of three and each person practiced witnessing in a safe learning environment. We then went out witnessing for an hour.



Participants practice sharing the plan of salvation with one another.



We also use small groups to teach eternal security and discipleship.

These workshops on evangelism and Bible doctrine are also used to create interest in beginning Peniel Theological Seminary extensions in new locations throughout Ecuador.

I also taught a 40 hour classroom course for Peniel Seminary on the Cults in Pallatanga, Ecuador. This is in response to the eight presentations I gave at the Quichua National Pastor's Conference in Otovalo. In February 2014, Peniel will begin an extension with 30 students in Guayaquil, the largest city in the county.



Small group preparing Bible response to a cult at the Pallatanga seminary class.