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VENEZUELA
The CASTILLO Family

Greetings Pastor and Church, we thank the Lord for His continued support through you!

SIULA MENA AND HECTOR ORTEGA, JOY AND SORROW.



Siula arrived at the church one Wednesday two months ago, was delighted with the message and decided to keep coming. Two weeks later she brought a tall (6'5") and strong man, his partner **Hector Ortega.** A quiet man, an observer and VERY attentive to teaching. God began to work in their lives and one Sunday, after a message, Siula confessed Christ. The following Sunday was Hector, who cried out to God for salvation and eternal life. What came next was wonderful... a series of continuous spiritual decisions. One day Hector showed up with some shirts, and gave her a dress, said it was for the church. Then a relative of his called him to tell him that she was going to "consult" with witches and spiritualists, but Hector said: **"I belong to Christ now, I don't want to know anything about witchcraft."** One Sunday I taught about marriage and Hector understood that they lived in fornication. The next week he began to look for all the requirements for marriage, and before the following Sunday our brother Hector died, I was on a missionary trip to Maracaibo and couldn't return in time for his funeral. In writing this I have many mixed emotions, for there is joy that he is with the Lord, but sadness at not seeing him grow in faith. **Siula told me, "Pastor, my life was beautiful, but God had other plans." Please pray for Siula Mena.**

SEISMIC DOUBLETE IN VENEZUELA.

On 24 July, Venezuela suffered two earthquakes. By the grace of God, my family and I managed to escape unscathed from the damage, because when the earthquake occurred, we were in Caracas (a fairly affected area). **Since the second day,** we have been taking care of our brothers who are in need. There have been many trips made to La Guaira, to seek people among the rubble, feed volunteers and preach the gospel. There are many people reached and testimonies of salvation. **I will make a special report soon.** For now, I am leaving you a video.

TWO GREAT NEEDS AS A CHURCH.



The thought of a Pastor and the Church is: **OTHERS.** That's why we go, that's why we give ourselves, that's why we wear ourselves out, and so we have been doing, in the natural facets of a Church, but much more with the brothers of La Guaira, however, I want to present to you TWO great needs that we have as a Church. **The first one concerns electricity,** because we are still being deprived of electricity daily for periods of **6-7 hours.** This prevents us from working properly in the Church and at school. Computers, ventilators to refresh children, sound system cannot be used. **The second need** is to be able to complete the multi-use auditorium. We managed to lift the metal structure (columns, beams, roof straps), but still lack electricity, floor and roof. Please help us in prayer and consider a financial contribution. It is difficult to explain the emotional impact of daily power outages. **More information: klixoncast_1@hotmail.com; +58 (424) 421.5725**



answered prayers.

We were able to go to the municipality of Miranda with the gospel. The police allowed us to preach in the square, and many received the Lord. For now, we are taking care of them using **cell phones** and the sermons we have on **YouTube.** On the other hand, we already have Matthew's passport.

Prayer Requests.

- In Sep/08 we will go on our bus to preach in La Guaira. Sismos.
- Youth camp.
- Roof for the auditorium under construction.
- Hermeneutical conference to pastors and churches.
- AMEX to the Adjuntas.

Thank you for your continued support to the labor in Valencia!

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