

May 5, 2006

# Ecuador



Top px:

Youth group,  
Doctors,  
James, Steph,  
Pastor Javier,  
bus driver,  
military escort  
in front of bus

Bottom px:

Steph and Ecu  
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## Ecuador News

We want to take this time to update you on what's been happening in the past several months with Ecuador. The last trip May-August 2005 God moved awesomely. We are excited about what God has done and is going to do. On the last trip God provided a local COG youth group to go into the jungle with us to help with the medical missions and evangelize. What a blessing to see this bunch of Ecuadorian youth so dedicated with such a desire to serve the Lord and their own people. We visited several areas about 2 hours out of Shell Meria.

A local COG overseer hooked us up with a local church who

donated a bus and driver for our transportation. We saw many saved while in the jungle. The youth performed a skit portraying the love of Christ. We stayed at the Shell Meria military base while in the jungle. We saw many healed and treated in the name of Christ. Wow! The bus was an exceptional blessing, as normally we have to hire a bus or van for transportation. God made believers out of us and proved He can also provide the means where we least expect it. By Ecuador, being so poor, we were awed at such a generous donation from such an impoverished area. May the Lord bless the church that provided. A new door opened in

the way of the Ecuadorian Military.

We were invited to work with a group of doctors from the Wings of Health. We are grateful to all those who contributed financially since we took fourteen 70 lb bags of medicine each costing \$100. Without the medicine, we would not have been able to see all those that were sick or provide enough medicine in order to work with the doctors from Wings of Health we spent three days with a complete crew of military health care providers including pharmacists, dentists, doctors and nurses. It was great! Again, God fulfilling the vision of seeing the native people serving their own,

Doctors, nurses, and even their own military. It has been our experience in the past working in the communities that there is a great mistrust by the people of the communities of their own doctors and even more with the government. We are humbled that the Lord has used us as instruments of the building of bridges, I'm reminded of Isaiah 58:11-12 11 And the Lord shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be as a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not.

12 And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt rise up foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called the repairer of the breach. The restorer of paths to dwell in. What an honor to be

part of Gods plan. Recently we visited Bolivia. The Lord saved and many were given precious medicine in the name of the love of Christ. We met a local Dr that worked with us. At one of the church services, the doctor gave his heart to Jesus along with his wife. Glory to God! We were able to finish the construction of 3 churches started on previous trips. God blessed, souls were saved. Praise God!

We now trust the Lord to provide for a trip to Ecuador May 31<sup>st</sup>. We are excited about this trip and know that God is going to do something great! We are going to be joined by the crew from The Global Foundation. (Squeal! Shout! Yes!), working with the Ecuadorian Air Force again. God is so good. We are expecting big things to happen. We can't do this without your

help. As some of you all know, Steph has had a battle with ovarian cancer. Her doctor believes that she will not have to undergo any more chemotherapy and he also believes that the cancer will not come back! Praise God! We have moved to Florida to be close to Stephs' Dr and so she can finish High School. The cost of living in the Keys is astronomical. We will be here until Stephanie graduates next year. Our expenses have increased since moving to Florida. In order to continue in the ministry we need your financial help. We also need your prayers. We believe God has spoken to us about leaving the 31<sup>st</sup> of May and returning July 17<sup>th</sup>.

May God Bless,  
Barbara Stephens