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We were off to see the Alcalde (mayor) of Acajula. We stopped at the Lava fields where 68 families call home. In the 1950's The Volcano of San Salvador took many lives, and now the destitute make their home here among this waste land. During the civil war corpses were dumped in this place. The indigent families who moved here in recent years had to relocate the human bones to set up home. They call this place Comunidad Nehemias (Nehemiah's Community). They have no electric, no running water, very little food or clothing. We gave them several bags of used clothing and boy, were they grateful.

One man told me that they really need plastic to cover their roofs, 48 out of the 68 have no shelter from the rain. I believe that for \$500, we could get these poor souls out of the elements. They also told me that they have reserved an area for a church. I told them about our Bible Institute and that I would like to raise funds for them to have a Car Battery operated TV & DVD player so that they could receive the word of God. What would it cost? ...\$400 for these poor people to receive the Bread of Life!

I meet with the Alcalde of Acajula, Cristobal Alas. He was very gracious to meet with me between his appointments. We discussed the needs of his people and the different strategies he is working on to improve their quality of life. He then told me something that blessed my socks off. He said that the greatest change agent in El Salvador is the local church. Sr. Alas is a believer. He said that more good

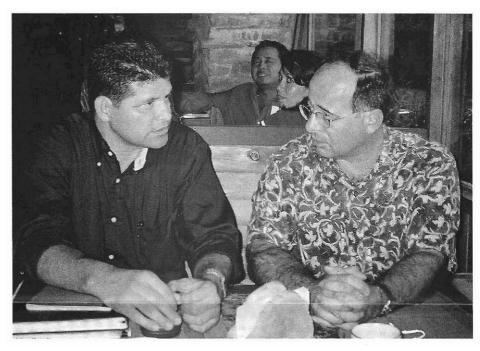


comes from churches than any community development program. The Church is the hope of El Salvador. I told him about our Multi media Bible Institute that it is used interdenominationally. In fact, a Catholic Bible Study Group in his town of Acajula has already requested our materials.

When you take a moment and add up the number of lives that have received spiritual formation through Vida Internacional, it doesn't take long to figure out that thousands are being transformed into the image of Christ. Together we are making a difference.

Together We Touch the World!





Cristobal Alas, Mayor of Acajula, El Salvador

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