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Antigua, Guatemala – Nothing is more compelling than to see the plight of children in third world countries. Like most of you, my heart is moved when I understand what it is like for these little ones to make it through a day. There are many poor children that will not eat if they do not earn their own living. Missionaries Andrew and Becky Loveall have spent the last six years of their lives championing the cause of poor children. They founded a Christian school and feeding program called “Escuela Integrada” in Antigua. The school will be using our Bible materials, “VIDA Internacional” as part of their curriculum.

I meet with a group of nine boys ages 13 -17 that Andrew is discipling. It was refreshing to relate to young men and talk with them about the things they are interested in and then challenge them to live for Christ. I would like to share with you the story of some of these young men that I broke bread with and most of whom are students in the Christian School...

Carlos (age 17): His father died in a bus accident when he was 8 years old. He moved 6 hours away from his family to the city so that he could earn money as a shoeshine boy, Carlos just completed the 4<sup>th</sup> grade.

Juan (age 17): His father died of alcoholism when he was 13. His older brother became the primary bread winner. His brother was





electrocuted a year and a half later. At the age of 14 ½, Juan became responsible to support his sickly mother, three sisters and his baby brother. The whole family lives in one room. Juan just completed the 6th grade.

Jose (age 17): His father was killed during the civil war. He does not remember him at all. His older brother, Antonio, is the head of the family and works as a hot dog vender. Jose just completed the 6th grade. He is not a Christian yet but is moving in the right direction.

Carlos (age 13): His father abandoned the family when Carlos was 7. His mother, sisters and younger brother also live in just one room. Carlos just passed the 4th grade. He has not yet accepted Christ but he has been attending church for the last 9 months.

Many of these poor children have been involved in prostitution in order to provide for their family. Please pray for these children. I want to thank those of you who pray and support this ministry so that we can come along side others and assist them in their discipleship process. Would you help us to produce more courses on a DVD format? It cost \$1,000 for 10 lessons. If you sponsor a 10 lesson course we would like to acknowledge that on the video production. We will acknowledge a contributing Church, individual or the memory of a loved one.

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*Ju & Carol*

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*Antigua, Guatemala*

