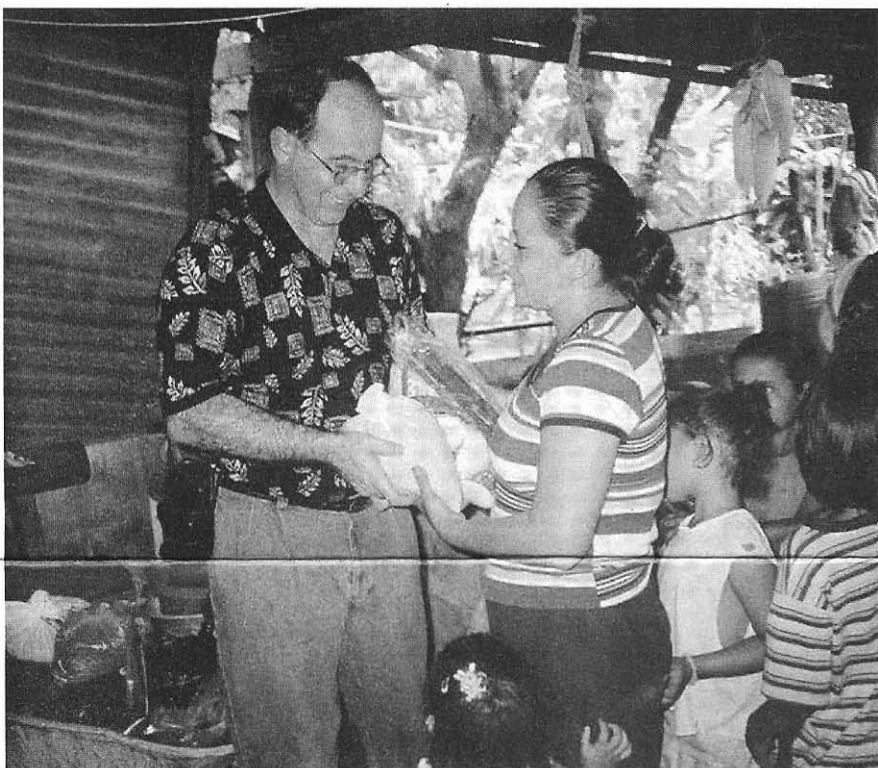


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I could not rest until I saw for myself, what happened to the sixty-six indigent families living in the lava fields outside of San Salvador. I raised funds to help relieve some of their suffering. I directed my representative Pedro Garcia to buy black plastic sheets to cover forty-four roofs. This would help them stay dry in their cardboard shacks. I was told that the government had moved them out of that hellacious place. Was it true? Yes, they were gone. I saw with my own eyes. We prayed, who were we to help now with the funds designated to help the poor? To find needy people in El Salvador is not hard to do, but we wanted to minister to the ones that we could share not only our material blessings but spiritual ones also. That was the challenge.

Jorge De Lo Santo (who's last name means "of the Holy One") lives in Colonia De Los Angeles (Colony of the Angels). He is one of our 36 Bible students who meets in downtown San Salvador. Jorge is 31 years old and has been wrestling with kidney and eyesight failure for the last four years. This is due to exposure of toxic chemicals in a manufacturing plant. Since his formal education only took him to the first grade, he is self taught in reading and is still learning how to write. Jorge told me that he does all he can to win souls. Jorge said, "I want to take ground for the Kingdom". Currently, he has an average of 20 people meeting under a lean-to (his home) twice a week. Jorge says many of them are his friends that are still in process of being evangelized and discipled. He felt that he would not be qualified to host his friends and neighbors in Bible study group, until he enrolled in our Bible School. Now he says, "Thank God for Vida Internacional, because of Vida and God's help I have something to share every week". Jorge feels that his group will really grow even more considering the 50 plus families that were fed at his home. We



gave them rice, beans, sugar, pasta, oil, soap and most of all, the poor heard the Good News and received it with great Joy!

In Ciudad Delgado (Skinny City) the Lord directed us to provide food and supplies for 15 drug addicts, alcoholics, and gang bangers. They are all in rehabilitation. Interns in this rehab center are housed in the Eternal Rock Church (Iglesia Roca Eternal). I met the co-pastor last May, and I was impressed with what God has done to transform his life. I listened to his tragic tale that turned into tearful triumph over a midnight snack of papoosa (a thick pancake made out of rice or corn and toppings) at the cor-



ner papoosa stand. Jorge Lara was discharged from military service due to a drug and alcohol addiction. His family did not trust him because of his lying, stealing and drug dependency. Jorge lost his family and his home. He lived on the streets and slept on the streets. He ate out of garbage cans for over three years. Jorge lived in a constant state of violence and mental instability. He was suicidal and homicidal. Then, God transformed him through the love of Jesus Christ. Jorge found hope and a future. My friend Jorge has asked if they also could enroll their 15 interns into our Bible School. Let's make this happen! Your gifts make this possible. We are producing our second year curriculum and we need your help! You can sponsor a course for \$1,000 and a manual for \$300. We will acknowledge the name of the sponsor, or loved one or Church that underwrote that course.

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