

Aguilar Family

NEWSLETTER



A little about us

Samuel's Family started this ministry more than 20 years ago. He has helped out with the ministry since he was four years old. Melanie was first exposed to the ministry on a short term trip to Guatemala and has been involved in the ministry for the last three years. We got married in May and will be moving to Guatemala to do ministry full time at the end of June 2026.

MORE INFO

* Get in touch with us!

We would love to hear from you!

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* Meet up with us!

Interested in learning more about the ministry? We would absolutely love to schedule a time to talk either in person or over zoom. Shoot us an email so we can get it on the schedule :)



OUR MISSION IN GUATEMALA

The Bible tells us in James 1:27 that pure, undefiled religion is visiting orphans and widows in their affliction. The Bible tells us over and over again that God's heart is for those that the world oppresses or forgets. Our mission is to bring the way, the truth, and the life of Jesus to the abandoned, afflicted, and oppressed people of Guatemala. Our ministry consists of discipleship in government homes and providing help to families in need in the mountains of Guatemala.

Government Homes

The government homes in Guatemala are filled with spiritual warfare. Three of these homes house special needs residents that have been abandoned or neglected as children. The fourth is a place for girls ages 11-17 who are victims of abuse or sex trafficking. Many of these girls are

pregnant or have babies. Our team is trusted by the government to go into these homes to preach the Gospel and disciple the residents.



Mountain Ministry



Maranatha Bible School

The mountain villages of Guatemala are the poorest parts of the country. They are hard to get to and are under-resourced. Running water, electricity, and vehicles are luxuries that many of the families in the mountains must go without. We have two parts to our mountain ministry, the Maranatha Bible School in the mountains of Cantel and outreach breakfasts in the Xesanaj mountain. Maranatha is a weekly program for children ages 5-14. Many of these children face problems at home including parents who are absent or who are alcoholics. At Maranatha, children learn about the Gospel and because of that God is changing their stories.

Xesanaj is an especially poor area where, for many families, the only meal for the day consists of tortillas and salt. We have recently started providing breakfasts here, along with a time for worship and a Gospel message. When we have these events, there are of over 300 people who attend. When we visit this mountain neighborhood, we have been struck by the fact that these people not only have a hunger for food but also for the word of God. We are currently raising money to be able to provide more of these breakfasts. It only costs \$1.50 a person to make an outreach breakfast happen. If you are interested in sponsoring a breakfast, please reach out.



Xesanaj Breakfast



Sponsorship Program

Our sponsorship program pairs a family or individual from the United States with a specific child in need in Guatemala. For \$50 a month, this child and their family receive food and hygiene products to help them climb out of poverty. We have had the blessing to see families transformed through this program. We currently have about 80 children in our program, but there are always children on the waiting list to be sponsored. If you are interested in sponsoring a child, please reach out to **Lysa Wilson:** mikelysawilson@gmail.com

“Defend the weak and the fatherless; uphold the cause of the poor and the oppressed.”

Psalm 82:3

Get Involved!

We would like to invite you into what God is doing in Guatemala! Here are some ways to get involved

1. **Come to Guatemala!**
2. **Sponsor us as missionaries**
3. **Sponsor a child**
4. **Sponsor an outreach breakfast**

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