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Dear Pastor and Church Family:

It is our privilege to be able to report to you on the ministry here in Ecuador and God's dealings in our lives and those of the people to whom He has called us to minister.

In May we had the graduation from the Bible institute. It was a blessing to see four students complete their work and begin a new phase of the ministries in which they were already engaged. We were able to enjoy the new addition to the church in Santo Domingo for the banquet, which was given in honor of the graduates.

We have had four workshops at the camp for training young people and adults from all our churches in the area to work with children and adults using different methods. Some of them are putting into practice what they have learned.

The ladies' retreat went well. Not as many attended as was hoped but there were four ladies who accepted the Lord as their personal Savior.

I am at present training a young man named Raul Quijije in practical work, which he will need as a pastor. He is one of the pastors that received a motorcycle. He will be preaching in the church in El Carmen once a month. He also attends every directors' meeting at the mother church. This program costs about \$330.00 a month and it is well worth it. Please pray for Raul and the finances for this program.

Another pastor in Quito, Carlos Pullugando, who was saved in Santuario, is ready to build. The church is paying him \$330.00 a month, which is a low middle-class salary. They also are ready to pay at least \$100.00 toward a loan from the churches of the Baptist Bible Fellowship. If you can help with an offering towards this loan (3200-2 Quito) it would be a blessing to them.

We are at this time preparing for a group of 31 members from Southside Baptist Church in Rock Hill, South Carolina to visit us for a week. They will be presenting the gospel with puppets in high schools, parks and streets as well as some churches. They will also be doing some preaching in the different churches. We are looking forward to their being here and experiencing the blessing of serving God on a foreign field.

Thank you for your faithfulness in financial and prayer support.

Your missionaries in Ecuador,  
Joe and Sylvia Wells