

Nicaragua

April 2024

Aaron and Adela Cordero

Hello friends,

We are sending you all warm hugs and greetings from Nagarote, Nicaragua. Nagarote is one of the hottest places in Nicaragua and we have had temperatures reach 104 degrees Fahrenheit (40 degrees Celsius) over the past several days.

As you may already know, our precious daughter, Elena, was born on October 23, 2023. As first-time parents, it has been quite an adventure and a time of great learning for us. The first several months were the most difficult and we had many sleepless nights as Elena was crying and fussing a lot due to indigestion and we struggled to develop regular sleep routines. As we adjusted to being parents of a newborn, we learned to work together as a team and to balance taking care of Elena with our regular household chores, and ministry responsibilities. It has been a difficult adjustment in some respects as we worked side by side in ministry before Elena arrived. Now Adela often has to stay home to care for Elena while Aaron works on our various projects and ministries. We are thankful that as Elena has grown out of the newborn stage, Adela has been able to slowly step back into a more active role in the ministries here. We thank God for His provision during this time and that Elena is a very healthy and intelligent baby!

Ministry Updates:

Conociendole (Knowing Him) Ministry➤

We love serving in this ministry with the elderly and feel the presence of Christ as we share his love with these dear people. We meet twice a month to share a special time of fellowship, Bible study, and prayer with those who attend. Many of those who are part of this ministry are lonely or suffering from physical ailments and this is a time when they can share their concerns, challenges, and joys as we pray together with them. We also challenge them to share their faith in Jesus with their family.

One of the men in the group, Don Teodoro, who is over 85 years old, recently decided to follow and serve Jesus Christ for the rest of his life. Currently, twelve senior citizens regularly participate in this ministry and we can see both spiritual and personal growth in their lives. We ask that you pray for this ministry and especially for Doña Auxiliadora who is in the final stages of terminal cancer and for Don Teodoro who is losing his sight.



Left and Right: Senior Ministry, Middle: Doña Guadalupe

Renacer (Garbage Dump) Ministry➤

We go to the garbage dump outside Nagarote each week to minister to the people who work there collecting discarded materials that they sell to make a subsistence living. This time of year the garbage dump is filled with smoke as the people who work there burn things to remove the metal so it can be recycled. Due to the heavy smoke, Adela and Elena have not participated with the team as they minister to the people there.

The people who work there always wait for us with great enthusiasm and it is a joy to share Christ's love with them and bring them a nutritious meal. Please join us in praying that the people who work there will open their hearts to the gospel and place their faith in Jesus Christ.



Youth Ministry and Discipleship➤



We praise God for providing a couple in the church, Sharon and Hamilton, who are now the primary leaders of the youth group at Arraigados Church. We continue to serve in a support role to them and help in the development of the program each Wednesday. After youth group, we assist with dropping off the kids who live far from the church.

We have been discipling a group of young men and investing in their lives for several years. These young men are at an age where it is becoming more difficult to meet regularly as many have started working, while others are studying at the University, and some have moved out of the area. Please pray that the seeds of the gospel that were planted in their hearts have fallen on good soil and will produce an abundance of spiritual fruit. Please pray for wisdom for us as we prepare to start investing in a new group of young men.

Garden Project➤

This project utilizes the surplus land at Arraigados Church for a garden where various fruit trees have been cultivated and the fruit is used in our ministry or is sold to help cover church expenses. The garden continues to flourish and in March we had a bountiful harvest of bananas that we utilized in the meals we provided in the Renacer (garbage dump) Ministry. The lemon trees are starting to bear a little more fruit and we hope that the amount of fruit will continue to increase. The guavas are also producing fruit. We offer the harvested fruit to people in the church first, and the surplus is sold to fruit vendors in the community. Please pray with us that the Lord will provide more buyers and that the garden will continue to benefit the church!

Thank You!➤

Thank you for your partnership with us in the ministry here in Nagarote! Your faithful prayers and financial support are such an encouragement to us! We would love to hear from you and encourage you to email us at the address below.

Aaron & Adela



Contact us:

aaron.cordero@gracem.org
adela.cordero@gracem.org



Scan to give to the
Corderos online

