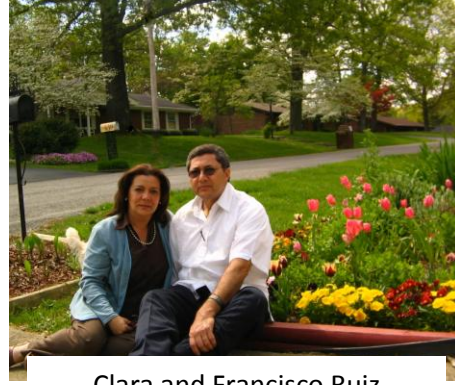


Clara's Crescendo

April 2009



Clara and Francisco Ruiz

Dear Family and Friends,

Many years ago, I left my family in Costa Rica and began a new chapter in the United States of America alongside my husband. During my first years in the States I worked with families with special needs children. I started as a volunteer, but the Lord allowed me to start working with a state program after receiving my work permit. I enriched my knowledge through seminars, courses and training in new research and models to reach these families with an emphasis in teamwork.

In March 2008, the Lord opened a new door for me to begin working with AMG International. AMG stands for "Advancing the Ministries of the Gospel". The Lord is allowing me to work with a large team of brothers and sisters in Christ with one common purpose: to reach the world through the proclamation of the Gospel. Now I can see where the preparation of the last 25 years has lead and I am very excited and thankful that the Lord has brought me to this place where the team works well together and the work has an eternal impact. We function as a body, just like the body of Christ.

My responsibilities at AMG International are:

- ❖ I am the Ministry Assistant for National Workers*. This includes:
 - Receiving letters from National Workers/Church Planters. I send correspondence to the sponsors and vice versa. This allows them to have a close relationship.
 - Keeping the financial records up to date for each National Worker.
 - Assigning the National Workers to sponsors.
- ❖ I also participate in Short Term Mission Trips when needed.
 - I support the families of our sponsored children with seminars and workshops working with parents and teacher.

I firmly believe that the Lord has called me to this ministry. As you can see, I have a lot of work to do and my desk is overflowing! I also believe that as I step forward in faith, following the Lord, He has already provided what is needed for me to do my part.

I am writing this letter to ask if you would like to be a part of the Lord's team in reaching the world with the Good News of Jesus Christ? My position at AMG requires that I raise half of my salary just like a missionary. In reality, that is what I am. I am helping the National Workers share the Gospel within their own language, culture and people.

I feel like a farmer preparing the fields. God will give the growth. Would you like to plant and water the fields with me as we take the Gospel to the nations by assisting the National Workers from the home office? One day we will harvest the fruit that God gives for His glory!

Yours in His service,

Clara Ruiz
Ministry Assistant for National Workers
Check out Clara's Blog: www.claralettersinfuselife.blogspot.com

*A National Worker is someone who is native to the country that they are working in as a missionary. We have found these ministries to be very effective as they know the language and the culture of the people they are living amongst.

"Everyone in one way or another plants something. Why not do so in these blessed fields? Where the dry land gives out fruit by the power of God, where the constant rain, or lack of it, is enough, and the light never fades."

Clara Ruiz

AMG International

6815 Shallowford Rd, Chattanooga, TN 37421
1-800-251-7206 ext. 256
www.amginternational.org