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Healthy Heart

“Broad, wholesome, charitable views of men and things cannot be acquired by vegetating in one little corner of the earth all one's lifetime.” — Mark Twain

“The whole earth is filled with awe at your wonders; where morning dawns, where evening fades, you call forth songs of joy.” — Psalm 65:8 (NIV)



Juliana and her daughter, Patricia purchased flowers for Chris and Sunny to show their gratitude and to share their joy.

Porch de Salomon broke ground on a home for the family of Juliana Castro Saloj. Juliana and her husband, Domingo, have eight children and another on the way. When Domingo became ill and could not work for nine months, the family had to sell everything, including their chicken business, causing them to live in desperate conditions. Chris and Sunny Turner, who raised funds for this home in memory of their son Andrew, traveled from the US to participate in this special day.

“The Turner family feels so blessed that Porch has given us the opportunity to honor Andrew by providing housing and support for multiple families. We are grateful to our friends and family who made contributions in his memory. Andrew loved Guatemala, helping families, and working with Porch. A part of his heart will always be here. It gives us peace to know that out of something so sad, there will be so much joy.”—Sunny Turner



The Porch is excited to announce our 153rd house dedication for Ana Chalcu and her family! Ana, her two children, José and Mariela, and her mother, Santa, lived in extreme poverty in an unsafe adobe home. Ana has had an intellectual disability from birth affecting her personal and social development. She tries to look for work but has difficulty due to her disability, and she never dreamed of having a safe home for her family. Thanks to a generous donor and teams, Ana and her family are safe and hopeful for a better future.



“For the lost, the least, and the last”

EXPAND YOUR HEART AND MIND

Sometimes you don't have the words to say, and sometimes you don't need to say anything. Love speaks every language.



Experiences with Porch shape "broad, wholesome, charitable views of men and things" that Mark Twain referred to when he recommended that everyone travel. Our construction teams, Crossroads UMC and Woodlake UMC from Virginia, and our medical/construction team, Memorial UMC from Florida, built meaningful connections based on mutual respect and understanding of one another's similarities and differences, everyone's hearts and minds.

Ready to expand your heart and mind? Porch de Salomon staff would love to host you. Contact Greg at porchgregory@gmail.com to partner with us.



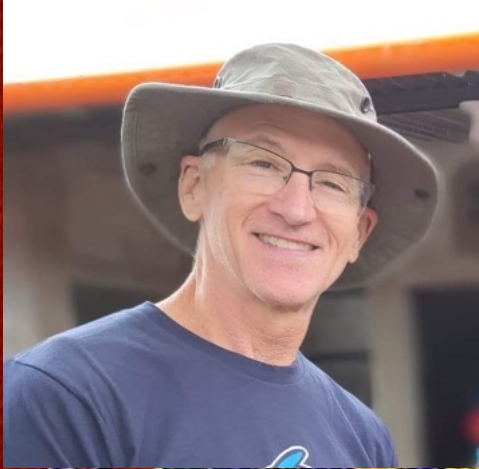
Work hard, play hard, and live in gratitude! The Porch Staff paused for a vacation for the heart with fun-filled team-building exercises after hard work helping to build Angelica's house the day before. The staff enjoyed learning to work as a team differently. The week's takeaway was that we are one body with many parts working together for ONE PURPOSE to be a channel of God's love to the lost, the least, the last — and also to one another.

"Now you are the body of Christ, and each ONE of you is a part of it." — 1 Corinthians 12:27 (NIV)



Jezer said the experience was "A dose of harmony."
(Above, middle)

RETIRE FROM YOUR JOB, BUT NEVER RETIRE YOUR HEART!



Curtis Martin, from Alpharetta, GA, has had a lifelong love for woodworking. Having retired from his corporate job, he devotes himself to the work he loves, building specialty cabinets, built-ins, and entertainment centers.

Curtis's first short-term service team with Porch de Salomon was in 2016 as he entered retirement. After serving, he realized he could combine his carpentry hobby with his desire to help Porch. So, he started a one-person woodworking business in which he donates profits to the Porch.

Porch de Salomon applauds Curtis for his creative giving and generous spirit. His heart is genuinely making a difference in Guatemala!

“Now, I work almost every day, feeling like I'm working for Porch de Salomon and helping their cause. I tend to measure my cabinet/carpentry jobs in terms of how many families it will feed, how many school scholarships it will provide, or how many houses I can fund this year.” – Curtis Martin



Ways You Can Help!

Monthly Food - \$60 a month
School Scholarship - \$240 a year
Water Filtration System - \$90
New Stove - \$175
New Home - \$8500



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