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For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. — Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV) The ache for home lives in all of us, the safe place where we can go as we are and not be questioned. — Maya Angelou

BUILDING DREAMS

Porch de Salomon joyfully joined Hilda Mux Son and her mother. Herminia Son Bal, in celebrating the dedication of their new home in Panajachel! Though they have lived miles apart, their bond has remained unbreakable, and they have longed for the day they could live together. Thanks to God's provision and the kindness of generous donors, their dream is now a reality.

With full hearts, Hilda and her mother express their deepest gratitude to everyone whose generosity made this possible.



Hilda's unwavering dedication to advocating for Indigenous people has been truly inspirational. It brings immense joy to see her finally receive a home of her own-a haven where she can also care for her mother. This new home is a beautiful miracle for someone who has selflessly been a voice for so many.

A team from Memorial UMC, Fernandina Beach, Florida, including four dedicated physicians and a pharmacist, served alongside Porch de Salomon to provide much-needed medical care throughout Indigenous villages in Guatemala. During their time there, they saw over 300 patients, offering healing and hope to communities with limited access to healthcare.



Josefa and Alejandro received a small chicken-raising business to help them become more self-sustainable—an important step toward a brighter, more stable future.



BUILDING STABILITY

Thanks to teams from Memorial UMC, Crossroads UMC, Wamego UMC, and Trinity UMC–Fort Wayne for your hard work in creating a safe home for Carmelina, José, and their six children. In a touching show of gratitude, the family handed out flowers even Lonny, who's doing well these days, received one.

174th House Dedication

We're honored to dedicate Porch de Salomon's 174th home to Josefa and Alejandro Xoquic Ibate, a remarkable family in Sololá. When Josefa's sister died in childbirth, Josefa courageously stepped in to raise her nephew. Though she hadn't planned on motherhood, she embraced it with love and strength. Today, Alejandro sees her as the mother who raised him. This home represents the power of a chosen family and the beauty of life's unexpected paths. Thank you to all who helped make it possible.

BUILDING DIGNITY



And that's not all—inside their new home, María and her children also received a small *tienda* (neighborhood store) to launch a micro-business. This vital step helps provide ongoing income and opens the door to selfsustainability, empowering María to provide for her family with dignity.

BUILDING FUTURES



Henda Bendición



Porch de Salomón joyfully dedicated another home for María Mendoza Chuc and her beautiful family in Rosario Los Encuentros, Sololá.

María is a determined and hardworking woman who does everything she can to support her three children, Juana, Ana, and Maynor. Life hasn't been easy for them. Despite María's relentless efforts, their income has never been enough to build a safe, decent home. Yet she never gave up hope.



Antonia Tun Pablo, a single mom, and her 12-year-old daughter, Crisla Tun, have faced many trials—especially the struggle of not having a stable home. Hampton FBC joined Porch de Salomon in Sololá, Guatemala, to help build that home.

What started as a construction project turned into something deeply personal. The week ended with tears, joy, powerful connections, and a donor who laid a foundation for this family's future by providing Crisla with a school scholarship to continue her education and pursue her dream of becoming a nurse.

VOLUNTEER PORCHLIGHT

Hello! My name is Morgan Miller, and I am an independent missionary originally from Indiana. I moved to Guatemala four years ago, and now I'm married to my amazing husband, Daniel, who is Guatemalan. We plan to live and serve here long-term. I feel deeply called to the work Porch de Salomon is doing—walking alongside families, building community, and sharing God's love in tangible ways.

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Morgan raises her own support to continue serving. She has been a part of our Porch family for almost a year. Right now, she's seeking an additional \$300 per month to help provide a more sustainable income and allow her to continue

contributing to the meaningful work

Though she's soft-spoken, Morgan shows up with steady faithfulness, compassion, and care. Her presence has made a lasting impact on those she serves and works alongside.

Thank you for supporting Morgan through your generosity and prayers!



BUILDING HOPE

We're excited to announce the release of *Their Stories*—a heartfelt book project supporting Golden Years, a senior center with which Porch partners to provide meals, community, and care to elders in San José Chacayá and nearby villages. This beautiful collection of stories shares the voices and experiences of individuals whose lives have much to teach us—if we take the time to

listen. More than just a book, it's a fundraising effort to sustain vital programs that bring hope and dignity to older adults. *Their Stories* is now available on Amazon!



Thanks to Elaine Cappellino and Nancy Upthegrove for bringing this inspiring project to life. Buy Here!

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