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STEP INTO SOMEONE ELSE'S STORY

"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."

— *Galatians 6:2 (NIV)*

"You never really understand a person until you consider things from his point of view."

— *Harper Lee, To Kill a Mockingbird*

193rd House Dedication



We were honored to celebrate the dedication with Lloyd and Melanie Monroe, founders of Porch de Salomon, and Suzanne Monroe, co-founder of Porch, who traveled to Panajachel to share in this meaningful occasion.

AND LEAVE A LEGACY

We are grateful to announce that Casa Flora, the new home for the directors of Porch de Salomon, is complete!

This home was made possible through the generous estate gift of Charlotte Flora Schofield (1921–2022) and is dedicated to her memory. Reared and educated in Illinois, Charlotte was a faithful follower of Christ, a WWII nurse, and a lifelong educator in central Florida. Her legacy of generosity continues to impact lives through this beautiful home.

"Well done, good and faithful servant." — Matthew 25:21



"For the lost, the least, and the last"

Casa Flora represents more than a beautiful new home. It reminds us that one life of faith and generosity can become part of a much larger story. The legacies of Charlotte, Lloyd, Melanie, and Suzanne, woven together through faith, vision, sacrifice, and generosity, continue to make a difference today and will impact generations to come.

BY MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Porch celebrated a new chapter for Dominga and her five children—Sergio, Joselyn, Karla, Ángel, and Maria.

As a single mother, Dominga has worked tirelessly to provide for her family. Their old home, built entirely of rusted sheet metal, offered little protection from the rain and flooding.

Now, they have opened the door to something completely different: a safe home filled with hope of a brighter future.

Dominga and her children also received a small chicken-raising business, allowing them to generate income and support their family for years to come.

194th House Dedication



Porch celebrated a new beginning for María Chopen and her son, Esdras. After facing abandonment and violence, María bravely began again as a single mother, holding onto her faith and trusting God with her future. Porch broke ground on a new home to give María and her son a safe place to begin a brighter chapter of their story.

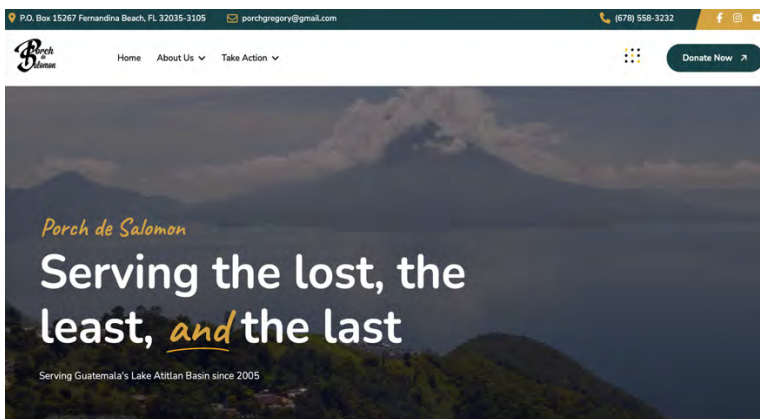


Blanca Francisca has faced disappointment, rejection, and uncertainty. After being abandoned during her pregnancy, Blanca Francisca has worked hard to provide for her son, Oliver, despite an unstable income and ongoing health challenges. Porch broke ground on a new home for Blanca and her son. They look forward to turning the page to a place to call their own, where they can find safety and stability.



THAT CHANGES LIVES

St. Benedict Youth, Our Savior Lutheran, and Cross Sound made a lasting difference for Cecilia, her five children, and the community they call home. Teams moved building materials to the work site for Cecilia's upcoming new home while the community children enjoyed Bible school filled with games, stories, and a yummy pizza party.



HELP WRITE THE NEXT CHAPTER

We're excited to announce that Porch de Salomon has a new website! Visit porchdesalomon.org to discover the stories of the people and communities we serve, learn more about our programs, and find meaningful ways to get involved.

Porch is especially grateful to Mark Niver for sharing his expertise and dedication while partnering with Rachael McGaha and Morgan Miller to bring our new website from vision to reality. We are thankful for volunteers like Mark who generously share their time and talents to help bring the story of Porch to life.

We've also launched a new donor management system, REACH, designed to make giving and staying connected with Porch easier than ever. Donors can view their giving history, manage their information, update recurring gifts, and stay connected with the impact of their generosity all in one place.

Our new system also allows scholarship sponsors to connect directly with the scholarship program, making it easier to stay informed and engaged with the students they support.

You'll soon receive an email with more information to help you transition to the new REACH platform.

Thank you for helping us continue to walk alongside families and communities in Guatemala.

Step into someone's story and help write a brighter future.



Mayerly Fabiola Chan Sen

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Sheyla Marbely Cumes Muj

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We're excited to share three new videos from Nite4Nite Productions that bring the story of Porch de Salomon to life.

These films offer a deeper look at our mission and the difference your support makes. You can watch the new videos on our new website, porchdesalomon.org, or on our YouTube channel, [porchdesalomon4038](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCporchdesalomon4038).

We are especially grateful to the generous donor who made this project possible and helped us share our story in a more powerful and impactful way.



AND DISCOVER THE HEART OF PORCH

Porch Light: Nite4Nite Productions

"Some of the most meaningful projects we get to be a part of aren't about products or campaigns; they're about people.

Earlier this year, our team traveled to Guatemala to partner with Porch de Salomon, documenting the incredible work they do to support families and communities throughout the region.

Over the course of the project, we produced three documentary films to help tell their story at different scales: a 30-minute feature documentary, an 8-minute impact film, and a 3-minute short designed to reach new audiences and support their mission.

It's always an honor to work alongside organizations whose purpose is making a real difference. These projects remind us why we love documentary filmmaking, combining authentic storytelling, meaningful relationships, and the opportunity to experience places and cultures we'd never otherwise encounter.

A huge thank you to everyone at Porch de Salomon for welcoming us into your community and trusting us to help share your story."—*Nite4Nite Productions*

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