

The Great

Adventure

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A Step of Faith

"When will you be leaving for Ecuador?" This is a question we have heard often recently. We look forward to joining the SIM team in Loja as soon as possible, but there are a few goals we need to accomplish before that can happen. First of all, we need to finish raising our support. We thank the Lord for the individuals and churches that have chosen to partner with us in ministry through one-time gifts, regular support or joining our prayer team. We also need to visit individuals and churches who have committed to partner with us in ministry, as well those who would like to know more about our future ministry in Loja, Ecuador. Since we have been so busy with life and ministry in North Carolina the past three years, another goal we have is to spend time with our families in Tennessee and Alabama before returning to Ecuador.

The first week of November, we took a **big step of faith**. Jeff was working full-time at Samaritan's Purse, and Terri was working part-time as well as home schooling. After praying a lot and seeking godly counsel, we decided to resign from our jobs in order to dedicate more time to reaching the goals mentioned above. Jeff will be working part-time

through the end of January, and Terri will working through the end of this year. We are greatly encouraged and amazed by the ways God is providing for us, making it possible to work less and spend more time on support raising.

Please pray that God would continue to raise up people to partner with us in the ministry of leadership development in Loja, Ecuador. Would you prayerfully consider being a part of our team through prayer or financial support? If God leads you in this way, you can let us know by mailing in the corresponding response form, by email, by phone (see contact information at the bottom of this page) or by visiting our blog: jeffandterri.org. Also, please let us know if you would like to hear more about the ministry we will be a part of in Loja. Thank you!



Good News... Great Joy

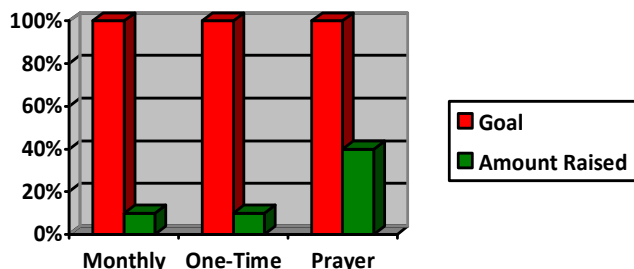
"I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord." (Luke 2:8-12). This is a great reminder that Jesus came to bring us great joy – rejoicing and delight in our inner being that is not affected by our circumstances. Our prayer for you this holiday season is that you will experience same joy as Mary, the shepherds and the Magi did that first Christmas.



Rejoicing in Him,

Jeff & Terri

Support Update



New target date to leave for Ecuador: May 2011



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