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Barb & Dwight Bolick

REGIONAL

LANGUAGE

Spanish

MINISTRY PRIORITIES

Discipleship,
Economic Development,
Education

BIRTHDAYS

Barb 2/29 Dwight 9/25







ABOUT

BARBARA and DWIGHT serve as regional consultants for Iberoamerica and the Caribbean in multiple leadership and training roles. Barb manages and directs the Talita Cumi Girls' Clubs (TCGC) focusing her ministry on girls' discipleship and education. TCGC, along with partners in Latin America, provide mentor

training, materials, and ongoing support. Dwight works with partners in the Continental Christian Network for Peace, whose Spanish acronym is RECONPAZ, to train others in beekeeping and rainwater harvesting, install model systems, and encourage the use of this water-collection method to address the severe water crises in Central America and Cuba.







MINISTRY STORY

Through the Talita Cumi Girls' Clubs (TCGC), Jesus calls young girls to follow him and become oaks of righteousness, to repair, rebuild, and restore (Isaiah 61:3-4). What a surprise and delight it is to see the ways they are uniquely answering his call. Hospitals, schools, and foster homes present unexpected opportunities for the girls and their mentors to broaden the reach of Talita Cumi.

TCGC is thriving in Ecuador, Nicaragua, and El Salvador, where they minister in a public hospital, a home serving young victims of domestic abuse, and in school settings.

Although we did not anticipate the prevalence of sexual abuse in our participants' lives, our partners in Ecuador, Nicaragua, and Costa Rica now provide training for mentors so they can support girls who have been victims of sexual violence. Additionally in Costa Rica, our national partner trains the girls to defend themselves from sexual abuse. Also, to our delight, leaders of the program are

The mentors and coordinators of the Girls' Clubs in Costa Rica.

developing a third year of curriculum, based on the Talita Cumi model, focused on supporting adolescent girls.

Two additional countries have invited Barb to introduce Talita Cumi Girls' Clubs in 2024. The program focuses on spiritual formation through the practice and teaching of the classical Christian virtues of faith, hope, love, courage, wisdom, temperance, and justice, realized through a community of healthy friendships and a Christian mentor.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for our sons, Jack and Will, as they transition into adulthood, college and career.

Pray for God's opening "great doors for effective service," (1 Cor. 16:9) in the expansion of the Girls' Clubs and rainwater harvesting projects.

Pray for the mentors and coordinators of the Girls' Clubs to keep discovering effective ways to address local needs.

SCRIPTURE

"They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the Lord, . . . They will rebuild the ancient ruins and restore the places long devastated; they will renew the ruined cities that have been devastated for generations."

Isaiah 61:3b-4 (NIV)

