

Pastors' Training Center update The caretaker's apartment and pump/generator room are well underway and the foundation for the first phase of the training center is being poured this week. Our goal is for our family to move into the caretaker's apartment for the remainder of this year and for Phase One to be completed by mid-November.

It is an honor to work with Steve and Sandi Youngren, founders of [Compassion Connection](#). They have been on the mission field for 14 years and have never had an operational base of their own. Steve placed a "stone of remembrance" on the project site recently when a work team of 25 young people visited from Matthias' Lot Church in St. Charles, Missouri. Thank you for your partnership in this work!



Family relocation In about four weeks, our family will be moving from the Saint House apartment (jungle climate) to the project site in Lasso (at 9,400 feet in the Andes Mountains - cold, windy and wet). We will have views of eight volcanoes on a clear day, including Ecuador's highest active volcano called Cotopaxi (pictured at left).

He is risen indeed! Let us rejoice in our King Jesus who took all our sins upon Himself on the cross, and was resurrected in victory over sin and death! May His blessings be upon you and your family, and may your hope be found in Him.

financial update We rejoice that 86% of our monthly needs are being met. We thank God and our faithful friends and partners.



Africa? Chris received a request this month from Christ's Church of the Ascension in Scottsdale, AZ about consulting on a construction project in Malakal, a city in southern Sudan. Christ's Church is planning to build a multi-purpose training center for returning Sudanese refugees. The "Lost Boys of Sudan" and others will need buildings such as this to receive training in marketable skills. More to come on this potential project for Fuel the Mission.

praises When completed in early May, we will be living in the caretaker's apartment on the Training Center property. God is supplying our needs through family and friends.

We have become friends with an Ecuadorian family in Lasso who live near the project.

prayer Chris is still in the process of securing an Ecuadorian driver's license and needs God's favor.

For our move and adjustments to a new area.

Littlest cowgirls (and boys) We are working in an agricultural area with many dairy farms, so there are lots of cows! Most often we see children spending many long hours tending the cows while their parents work in the fields. These kids are industrious with their time and resources, making toys out of the trash they find in the fields.

Although wary of Chris (tall gringo), the kids who work next to us are warming up to us since Elijah gave them each a kite last week. We believe that "the fields are ripe for harvest" here and look forward to knowing these families better.