

# in a MAKIDON minute

Dear family and friends,

After just three weeks of life, it was time for Emma to be immersed into the true American experience—waiting in line at the post office. Like millions before her, most on Saturdays around 11ish, we waited. After several failed attempts, her passport was at last in hand. We were officially on our way to Guatemala to see what our future ministry would look like at SETECA (Seminario Teológico Centroamericano).

Early on July 20th, we boarded our first plane, two-month-old in hand, nervously thinking, “Is this going to be the *longest* day of our lives?” She slept like a baby! Ok, she is a baby, but it definitely wasn’t what we had expected. We arrived safely in Guatemala later that day, and our stay, like our flight, was packed with welcome surprises.

After a great week of visiting the seminary and city, we met with seminary leaders, and they asked both Gina and myself to join them in ministry! We were excited! We have been preparing for this for almost a decade. Although SETECA is the largest Spanish-speaking seminary in the world, they desperately need help. They urgently need professors to teach New Testament (I will be the only one with a Ph.D. in New Testament). Gina will be one of the few trained counselors. Once our fundraising is complete, we can join the team in Guatemala.



*Gina and Emma in a three-wheel taxi.*

SETECA has students from 20+ countries and its alumni serve in almost 30. Graduates have been sent out to Europe, Africa, and even North America. Training pastors and counselors that could make an impact for the Lord on multiple continents is electrifying! One trained pastor or counselor could affect thousands. While we were in Guatemala we met students that have local ministries as well as ministry leaders from other countries. On Friday, we met a Guatemalan seminary student that has a children’s after-school program. We also met presidents from seminaries in Cuba and South America while sitting in on a class taught by Dr. Scott Horrell. We were struck by the global impact of the seminary.

We are excited about what the Lord is doing in Guatemala and we can’t wait to be part of it. We believe that the Lord has been preparing us for this ministry our whole lives. ***Yet, in order to take the next step and join the team at SETECA, we need people to partner with us by lifting us up in prayer and committing to monthly support of our ministry with CAM International.*** All contributions to CAM are tax free. We pray that you will do the following:

- Place our prayer card in a spot that will remind you to pray for us regularly.
- Partner with us by filling out the reply device and placing it in the mail. If you decide to commit to financially supporting us, you can begin now or make a pledge for the future.
- Consider talking to your church missions committee and pastor about having us share about our future ministry.

In Christ,

*Michael & Gina*

Michael & Gina Makidon  
Philippians 1:3-7

*P.S. We will update our website soon with our fundraising progress. Stay tuned!*



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