## FOSTER UPDATE

Dear family, team, friends,

Warm and humid greetings from Yaviza, Darién, Panamá. It's been a while. We pray that this finds each of you experiencing joy no matter what your circumstances.

The last months for our family have included much lower valleys and much higher peaks than previous years. We said goodbye to our dear Gran as she completed 96 years. She ran a good race.

It has been life-giving to experience our indigenous brothers and sisters experiencing God's Kingdom come and seek to know Jesus through the water ministry and also the fruit tree grafting ministry.

At the same time, we are reminded of the need to continue. One of our dear ministry partners, Anival Mejía from Majé, buried his two-year old nephew last week that died from diarrhea. Anival is sacrificing greatly to build a new waterline to an uncontaminated source. And one of our grafting students, Romel Chichiliano lost his entire planting of 125 grafted avocado trees to a wildfire which could have been prevented with irrigation, the next practical milestone in our agriculture work. Below is Anival facing the new intake. The supply line is currently being installed.



Please pray for this work to continue. Please pray for God to touch people's hearts such that the evil one cannot hinder what the Lord God wants to do here through the Church. Please pray for our family to have peace, clarity, direction, and above all, love, in the midst of trials.

With love and appreciation, Alan, Colleen, Kalea, and Joshua

## 2 Thessalonians 3

3 As for other matters, brothers and sisters, pray for us that the message of the Lord may spread rapidly and be honored, just as it was with you. 2 And pray that we may be delivered from wicked and evil people, for not everyone has faith. 3 But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one. 4 We have confidence in the Lord that you are doing and will continue to do the things we command. 5 May the Lord direct your hearts into God's love and Christ's perseverance.