



A Letter from Angélica, One of Our Scholarship Recipients in Honduras!

Hello, my brothers and sisters, I am Angleica María Pérez Centeno, the woman that you are helping with a scholarship of \$2000 to study for my Bachelor's in theology. Thank you for giving me the opportunity and for believing in me and supporting me without knowing me. I am sure that God All Powerful is blessing your lives daily. Your generosity towards me means I am committed to carry on. I have put my life in your hands, my brothers and sisters, and I am praying every day for you and I ask God to watch over you in all your life journeys, and to give you health, peace, prosperity and love in all your life's work.

To tell you about myself is a long story, but I will begin. I am a single mother of two children, Nahum who is 18 years old and Luz who is 7. I am 43 years old and currently work half time in a cafeteria. I have had a lot of difficulties. I lost my house and suffered an accident that damaged my back. The neurologists told me I wouldn't ever be able to walk, but God had mercy on me and healed me.

Here in my country people over 35 years old have very few options for work, which has caused me huge difficulties. I do whatever work I can find to survive and to support my children. Four years ago I lost my father and last year I lost my mother. This has caused me a lot of pain. I work with people that have betrayed me and took away commissions from a sale of some land that belonged to me because I hadn't backed it up economically. (*translator note: not sure what she means, but I think you get the idea that somebody took money belonging to her*)

Currently I live in a wooden house. I have been robbed three times of the little that I have. We are suffering from the cold at this time of year because there is a lot of ventilation in the house. We are thankful to God because we have a place to live and we don't have to move around. Because of this, I am thankful that you are giving me the opportunity to study and to serve God in this area because I am sure God will provide everything that I need.

In beginning my studies I have had trouble because I didn't have a computer and currently I am working together with my son to get one, even a simple one because it will help us to work faster. In the Theological Community the dean, Linda Hanson, has been a good instructor and has encouraged me to keep studying.

Thank you brothers and sisters for believing in me and wanting me to move forward.

Angélica Maria Pérez

Note: Angélica is one of two students at the Theological Community in Honduras that we are supporting through scholarships which will pay their tuition, books and living expenses during their 3-years of study at the seminary. These gifts were provided through memorial and other gifts and designated by the Mission Allocation Task Force last spring.. Linda Hanson, our mission partner in Honduras, selected Angélica as a scholarship recipient based on her great financial need and her great potential to be a future leader in the church in Honduras. Thank you, Central, for your stewardship, for your open hearts and minds, and for the vision that you have of being a church that shares God's love and promise of hope beyond our doorsteps on West William Street. Certainly, your generosity is being felt and celebrated around the world!