Dearest friends and family,

We’ve had a very active last few months. We had a fantastic Vacation bible School week at Vida Juvenil and many different meetings and activities at church. We have been participating in several Evangelical Indigenous Federation meetings (more on this below). In addition we have had several friends and family members visit, some expected and others not as much (which makes it even more wonderful).

Aliyah is growing with zero sign of slowing down and is very serious about letting everyone with whom she speaks with know that she is from Quito, not from Bolivia or USA. She also participated a decent amount during the vacation bible school and all the kids know her very well. We had a great time with crafts, bible stories, and games. Making pizza was just as big of a hit as it was last year. We feel like we are truly getting to know the kids in the neighborhood and plenty of parents are getting to know us as well.

We have been working with the FEINE, the Federation of Evangelical Indigenous Churches in Ecuador, as they work on a long time dream of theirs of developing a curriculum of Evangelical Indigenous education, from preschool all the way to college. We ask for prayers as we work with the pastors on this project and for guidance and support for the future of it. We have been very pleased that Clever Mashiant, from the Amazon region has been involved in the entire process and is very excited about, this is great since in the past indigenous groups and pastors from the Amazon have felt ignored in the past and the FEINE leadership has expressed that they will try their best to include them in future projects and this has been a great opportunity.

We have also received three Journey International volunteers from the States this month and have been doing orientation with them. We pray for smooth transitions and open minds and hearts for all people involved. This is bound to be a fantastic experience for this young people and for the church as well.

Peter, Delicia and Aliyah