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INVESTIGATION FOR DALIGHTER CHURCH ICDS

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# MOTHER CHURCH'S NAME: <u>lbero-American Christ's church ICP #: \_EC 0527\_NOMINATED DAUGHTER CHURCH'S NAME</u>: <u>lbero-American Christ's church "El</u> Eden"

- 1. Denomination/ICP.
  - a. What is your denomination? Christ's church
  - b. What are your fundamental beliefs?
- Connecting with God, creating community, Sharing Compassion.
- Father God, Son God and Holy Spirit God are distinct persons with different roles, but just one God. He is the Creator of the universe.
- Jesus Christ is the Messiah, Savior, Son of God, who was born from a virgin. He lived a sinless life, he died in the cross and resurrected from His grave. He Will come back as our victorious Lord.
- The salvation comes for grace through faith in Jesus Christ.
- Faith in Jesus is shown through regret, confession and obedience to His Word.
- Immersion baptism is the biblical baptism, it shows our faith and obedience, also, it represents our union with Christ in his death, burial and resurrection.
- Holy spirit lives in each Christian, it acts as a consoler, guide and defense; He also gives talents to the believers to edify the church.
- Bible is the Word inspired by God entirely and He is the guide for the whole life.
- The church as body of Christ, is the extension of the nature, attitude, behavior and mission of Jesus Christ in our current world.
- Jesus has called us to preach His gospel to all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey His commandments.
  - c. What is your baptism method? Immersion for a person's own choice
  - d. How often do you perform communion? Every week
  - e. How big is your group/denomination?50 churches around the world
  - f. How many churches are affiliated to this denomination in your country? 6 churches
  - g. How long has your denomination/group worked with Compassion in your country? For 3 years
  - h. How many active projects does your denomination/group have with Compassion in your country? Currently, two projects
  - i. Please list the partner churches that were recently stablished (max. 3): Christ's church El Recreo, Christ's church Harvest

## 2. Location and request of a daughter church:

- a. What is the name of the community where the daughter church is going to be located? (Please name the community and the specific name of the neighborhood, if applies) El Eden, Baba Canton, Los Rios province
- b. What is the approximate distance (km) from the Mother church to the location of the nominated daughter church?
   80 km
- c. Which percentage of the community's population are children? 45% are under 20 years old
- d. What type of job is available for the people to make a living from? Farming/agriculture/silviculture/fishing (81%), manufacture (1,5%), construction (1,3%), trading (5%), others (1%), education (1,5%)
- e. What does a typical local house look like?

  The houses are usually small with just two divisions: bedroom, open living-room, dining-room and kitchen. Houses are made mainly of cane, Wood and/or blocks with floors made of soil, cane or untreated wood. There is no plumbing, they use water from wells or tanks.
- f. What are the advantages and strengths of this community?

  There is a chance of improvement. People are very hardworking, and they look for opportunities to progress financially. Parents want a better life style for their children.
- g. In two sentences or more, please describe why a church is necessary here:
  The community has very superstitious beliefs. "Machismo" enslaves the families. We want to bring the light of Christ to break those darkness chains.
- h. Are there other active ministries preaching the gospel in this area? Currently, there is not a church in the area.

### 3. Capacity

- a. How many churches has your denomination/group planted before? We have 6 churches in Ecuador.
  - How many churches have been previously planted by the Mother church ICP? Please list the existing daughter churches that are also part of the Partner churches of Compassion.

Ibero-American Christ's church El Recreo, Christ's church Harvest

- b. What is your vision of the future regarding the planting of churches?

  Our vision is to continue planting churches in Ecuador and South America.
- c. How does your group give support, encouragement and take responsibility for the new daughter church and for who is planting it?
   Our organization gives a monthly support to the Pastor and family. We make missionary trips and visits to give support and encouragement.

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- d. What is the name of the leader of the planting/Pastor of the new daughter church? Gustavo Tamayo
- e. What is the name of the Pastor of the mother church? José Palma (Pastor) and Samuel Lefimil (Supervisor)
- f. What kind of supervision is going to be performed for the new daughter church? There is a strategic plan with objectives and goals. The person in charge works in that direction. Pastors meet each month to give account and give each other support and encouragement. Supervisors keep communication and visit to see how the work is going. We give specific help when is necessary.
  - g. Please include a short biography (5-10 sentences) about the Pastor of the daughter church. (For example, does he have a family? What is his testimony? Why does he feel the calling of leading in that place?)

Gustavo Tamayo and his wife, Fanny, have three children. Daniela is 17 years old, Daniel is 13 years old and Dana is 9 years old. Gustavo´s family lives in this small village working as farmers in the plot. They got to know the Lord through a missioner who came weekly from Baba town that is one hour away, she came to teach them the word of God. For several years, they traveled to Ibero-American Christ´s church Baba to do activities in the church. They were a very active family guiding children and supporting the Pastor in his evangelization campaigns. Years ago, God moved them to work with the children of the village and their neighbor families. So far, they continue with the bible school on Saturdays and Sunday services. Gustavo and Fanny completed the basic level of Ibero-American Bible Institute and they are going to continue with the master's degree.

# 4. Pastoral support for the daughter church

- a. How far is the Pastor going to live from the new daughter church?20 meters
- b. What is the person in charge/pastor of planting the church, going to do to make a living from?

He is going to work full time in the church in El Eden because the Ecuadorian churches of the denomination will sustain all the expenses of his family.

- i. If the Pastor is going to get an income from a place besides the church, please describe how: No
- b. Is going to be a financial support from the denomination? Yes

# 5. Planning for the facilities and planting of the church

- a. What is the total cost for the construction of the facilities? 65,000 dollars
  - i. How much is requested to Compassion international? 50.000 dollars
- b. Which resources besides Compassion's are going to be used to plant this church?
   (Please include money, workforce, other local resources)
   15.000 dollars that we collected with other means.

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- If these resources are not fixed resources, how do you plan to use them?
   We have fixed resources
- c. Was the plot/land donated? NO If it was, who did it?
  - i. If it was not, how much was the plot/land? 30.000 dollars
- d. Is the plot/land safe and ready for construction, including the necessary backup documents? YES
- e. How long is going to take to build a facility that hosts a church and classrooms for a Child development center? 6 months
- f. Which facilities has your group built recently? Churches in El Recreo, Samborondon and San Vicente.
- h. Is there any type of existing structure or building in the plot/land for this planting? NO
  - i. If it is, please make sure it is clearly visible in the photos of the plot/land.
  - ii. If the existing structure is included as part of the planting of the nominated church, please describe:
  - iii. If your answer is affirmative, does the church have a plan to continue with the construction work of the structure while it waits to get funds from Compassion?
    - 1. Describe the planned work:

## 6. Integration of the Program

- A. Are there plans for asking for any additional intervention support of the following? (Mark those that apply)
- B. Is this location an FCP active in Compassion Connect? NO
- I. If it is affirmative, what is the number of FCP?
  - II. If it applies, describe the current meeting facilities (for example: if it is rented, if it is a public space or if it is a member's house, etc.)
- C. Are there currently children registered in the place nominated for the daughter church? NO If there are, how many?
  - I. If there are, when did the registration of children in the program begin?
- CI. Is it planned to register children in the daughter church before getting the funds of intervention for the church planting? NO
- I. If it is, what is the planned date for registration? (Note: if it is not estimated yet, please inform to the Specialist of Global Engagement Program when the date is set):

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#### 7. Additional information:

- a. Please write anything that has not been mentioned before but you feel is necessary to mention:
- 8. When sharing/uploading this form in the report repository (Box.com), please include the following photos (jpeg):

PASTORS OF DAUGHTER CHURCH AND MOTHER CHURCH WITH THEIR FAMILIES (IF APPLIES)

AT LEAST TWO PHOTOS OF THE FIXED PLOT/LAND WHERE THE DAUGHTER CHURCH IS GOING TO BE BUILT

### SECTION TO BE FILLED OUT BY LOCAL COMPASSION STAFF ONLY:

9. In a scale of 1-10, How does the local staff of Compassion would grade the preparation of this partner specifically to plant a church and begin a CDC?