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Friends,

Over the many years of ministry, I have occasionally needed to write a difficult communication to our friends and family who support our ministry and help sustain our family's financial and physical needs. This communication is another.

We are going through a challenging time, especially meeting our daughter's needs. Our journey as parents of Emma began when she was just four weeks old. She was born to a 13-year-old Ecuadorian girl living in a shack in the Amazon jungle with her parents and numerous siblings, without running water or other conveniences. As a newborn, Emma had many health needs that kept us in and out of the NICU for some weeks. She gained strength and health and, as you know, grew into a lovely girl. However, she has struggled with several conditions, including that of being a hyper-sensitive child.

Emma is now 13 herself, and over the past year, in addition to going through the expected struggles of an adolescent, she has exhibited behaviors that have required medical intervention, including medications, doctors, and regularly seeing a therapist.

Very recently, our psychiatrist has given us a pre-diagnosis that Emma has what used to be referred to as Asperger's and is "on the spectrum." However, she requires several tests to confirm the diagnosis and inform appropriate treatment. The doctor is strongly recommending urgency in completing the tests due to Emma's age, the lateness of the diagnosis, and the emotional struggles Emma is currently managing.

Access to and the financial costs related to those tests here in the USA require financial resources we do not have (our health insurance plan has a \$10,000 deductible, and we do not have sufficient savings to cover it), and scheduling the tests in rural Western New York, where we live, could take many months.

Thus, we have decided that Emma and I will travel to Quito, Ecuador, on February 10. In Quito, we have immediate access to high-quality medical care (Ecuador's health care system is rated #20 globally) and can secure the tests within a few days of arrival. Even with the additional travel expense, the tests, clinic, and doctor fees are a fraction of what they would be here in the USA. Still, we anticipate the total expenditures to be approximately \$5,000.

Please prayerfully consider using the enclosed envelope to assist us with a donation to *Ripe For Harvest*. If you do not need a tax-deductible receipt and would like to assist us with these expenses, funds can also be transferred to our personal credit union account via *Zelle* using my phone number (520) 833-4219 or mailed to our home at 9881 Seymour Street, Houghton, NY 14744. And if you cannot assist us financially, please know that your prayers for Emma, Tannia, myself, and the doctors guiding us through this time are deeply and sincerely appreciated.

Yours for Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christopher Davis". The signature is written in a cursive style.



Enclosed is my gift of \$ _____ designated for the ministry of *Toby & Tannia Travis #20245*.

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