



MEDICAL MISSION TEAM

It was in the mid 1980's when I first met Mark Broussard (pictured above with me during his recent visit to Ecuador). Mark was at that time part of a touring drama company with *Campus Crusade for Christ*, and I was a youth pastor serving in a suburb of Minneapolis, MN. Then in the fall of 1987 Mark and I connected again as we served together as stage hands and assistants to illusionist/evangelist *Andre Kole*. In that year we criss-crossed the USA as "roadies" and developed a deep and lasting friendship.

Later in the mid 1990's Mark was serving with *The Jesus Film Project*, and I was touring myself as an illusionist/evangelist, when Mark proposed the idea of taking a team of magicians to India to help introduce *The Jesus Film* on university campuses. The rest, as they say, is "history."

We organized a small team of 5 performers and the response we received in just 10 days of events in the country was both unexpected and overwhelming, as **we were able to share the Gospel with over 90,000 of the most unreached people on planet Earth!** That project, as many of you know, launched what would become nearly a full-time ministry



Medical Mission Team including Mark Broussard along with Tannia's cousin Emilio, Sister Gabi, and my mother-in-law, Sara.

for many years, organizing teams of performers (mostly magicians) to appear and speak on Hindu, Muslim, and Buddhist university campuses throughout Southeast Asia—eventually sharing the hope we have in Jesus Christ with millions living in India, Sri Lanka, Myanmar, Nepal, and elsewhere.

Mark is now the Director of Global504 and we have had the opportunity of partnering in several more ministry projects over the years—and most recently Mark coordinated a medical team to support our ministry here in Ecuador.

In the course of just a few days the medical team (which was also supported by Tannia's sisters, cousin, and mom) tirelessly treated hundreds of patients in one of the poorest sections of Quito, not far from our home.



Tannia's sister, Gabi, and Mark sharing the Gospel with children and families as they wait for medical treatment.



Children and parents praying in response to the Gospel presentation.

It was great to work with Mark and the team. Please keep the pastors and those who are continuing the follow up with this project in your prayers. Thank you!

ANOTHER SPECIAL GUEST

Just a little over a week after Mark and the medical team were with us, we hosted another special guest—magician **Alex Ramon!**



Alex is a world-class performer, who has starred in multiple *Disney Live* productions, as well as in *Ringling Brothers, Barnum & Baileys "Greatest Show on Earth!"* I first met Alex when he was just starting his performing career, and it was a thrill for our students, families, and community to enjoy his talents for a few days. In Ecuador "Children's Day" is a very big celebration in the beginning of June—and Alex provided the perfect event for both of the school communities I'm currently serving in.

ADOPTION UPDATE

We are in the final weeks of Emma's adoption process and we hope to be sending a special update out to you very soon. We have completed all of the paperwork, home visits by specialists, etc.—and we are now just waiting on the final hearing! **Continued prayers appreciated!**



Alex Ramon with members of my faculty and staff at Colegio Menor in Samborondón.



Emma (soon to be) TRAVIS!