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ROMANS 10:15 MINISTRY

ECUADOR IS KNOWN for its breathtaking natural wonders, rich cultural heritage, and delicious Ecuadorian cuisine. The Galapagos Islands, located off the coast of Ecuador, draw visitors with their unique wildlife and pristine beauty. The Amazon rainforest in Ecuador is a biodiverse area where you can explore the rainforest and learn about indigenous communities.

Ecuador's Andes Mountains offer snow-capped peaks, lush valleys, and ancient Incan ruins to explore. Ecuador is also famous for its vibrant and colorful festivals and Panama hats.

Meet Sandro and Veronica Arandi who bring color to Ecuador. Their mission is to add eternal value to the people by making them disciples of Christ by the influence of the Holy Spirit; helping them develop in their physical, mental, social, and spiritual potential; equipping them with strategies to make disciples that glorify God to the ends of the earth. God has used them to be role models of manhood and femininity for the boys and girls who have no model of fatherhood.

This missionary couple reached out to the two siblings, Elena y Estaban, not their real names. They are fatherless and live with their mother and have gone through the valley of pain with abandonment, rejection, and



indifference. In school, Estaban was bullied and Sandro and Veronica intervened on his behalf.

These siblings have come to know Jesus and are having a healthy self-esteem. They have become young entrepreneurs by painting houses and taking care of lawns and gardens. These young lads are involved in the program Romans 10:15 by bringing Good News to the lost.

In Romans 10:15, "And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things!"

Please pray for the Arandis who are bringing the gospel of peace and bringing good tidings in Ecuador. For more information, please contact info@actionintl.org.

The Bible and the Fatherless

WE READ in the Bible that a priority for believers is to care for children who have been orphaned.

In our outreach to children in Latin America, we commonly hear them say, "I want a father." Yolanda, a teenage girl who was living in a children's home, was very grateful for the love and care she was receiving. But during a conversation, she once blurted out: "What I want more in my life is a father."

God is the loving Father of all children who have been orphaned. We read in Psalm 68:5 that "a father of the fatherless . . . is God in his holy habitation." God has deep compassion for the weak and needy.

Justice is a fundamental aspect of God's character. Millions of children in the world are experiencing injustice—especially in places like Ukraine, Somalia, and Syria. In Deuteronomy 10:18, we are reminded that the Lord "executes justice for the fatherless."

As believers, what are we supposed to do? The answer is found in James 1:27, where we read that "religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is . . . to visit orphans . . . in their affliction." Ministering to orphans is an outward manifestation of who God is and what he does.

The Bible calls God's people to be actively involved in

meeting the needs of children who have been orphaned, and a great way to begin is by praying.

In Deuteronomy 14:29, the people of God are called to share their resources with the fatherless. Everything we have belongs to God, and we have a responsibility to use what we have for His glory and His work. We encourage you to ask God how you can be a good steward, not only by giving, but also by serving.

The Arandis and others in ACTION are looking for people to join them in ministering to orphans. For more information, please write to <u>info@actionintl.org</u>.

After ministering for many years in Colombia, Phil and Mariela Legal now minister to needy people on the U.S./ Mexico border







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