



CHARLOTTE INITIATIVES (EQUIPO CHARLOTTE)

Our mission includes not only partnership with our Salvadoran sisters and brothers in Getsemaní, but also mission to the Latino community here in our own region. Anna Carter has been working to develop relationships with a number of organizations working with the Latino population. **Volunteer Opportunities, Comunidad Latina, Charlotte** is a new brochure showing local outreach opportunities.

Soccer Kits to El Salvador: With the help of another Charlotte organization, **Peacepassers**, the February El Salvador brigade will carry with them soccer kits (a collection of used and new soccer equipment collected here in Charlotte) for the community of Getsemaní. Peacepassers collects donated soccer equipment and distributes it throughout the world. Thanks to Donnie Daugherty for taking the lead on this.

MPPC continues to staff the **Charlotte Community Health Clinic** with volunteer doctors, PAs, nurses, front desk help, and interpreters one night a month.

Latin American Coalition monthly volunteer orientation - February 6th. Please let Anna know if you are interested in attending. (see below) There are numerous volunteer opportunities at the Coalition and this is the way to learn which one might be the right fit for you.

WISH team is looking for two volunteers who enjoy children (ages 9 months and 5 years) to join the Hope Team for the first Latina woman to enter the Workforce Initiative for Supportive Housing. She speaks some English and will enjoy practicing with you.

For an electronic version of the brochure, or to talk about any of these opportunities, please email or call Anna Carter at AnnaCarter@carolina.rr.com or 704-564-7743.

SPREADING THE WORD ON GETSEMANI

Jim Backman and Enrique Sanchez are taking our show on the road (literally) and going out to area churches to talk about the Strengthening the Getsemaní Community partnership. They've encountered considerable interest among a cluster of small Presbyterian churches in Mt. Gilead, and there is dialogue with the leadership of Steele Creek Presbyterian Church to consider a partnership role.

You are receiving this email because you have expressed an interest in supporting the mission and work of the Salvadoran Relationship Team and the people of El Salvador through MPPC. If you no longer wish to be on our email list, [let us know](#). To add others to the email network, [let us know](#), too!

HFH-EL SALVADOR COMMUNICATIONS

HFH-ES has developed several new ways to keep up with brigades, photos, communities and friends.

Chispa is HFH-El Salvador's monthly e-bulletin. [Sign up](#) to receive all the news.

Facebook: In addition to connecting with fellow Habitat el Salvador supporters, you will receive monthly updates. The group name is: Habitat for Humanity-GV el Salvador.

A wonderful new slideshow on HFH-ES has just been posted on the HFHI website. [Click here](#) to view it.

BRIGADE UPDATES—2010 SCHEDULE

The February 12-20 brigade to Getsemaní is full, and the March 26-April 3 brigade has only a few openings. We're pleased that a brigade from HFH-Charlotte will be working in Getsemaní with us in February.

The Youth of MPPC will travel to El Salvador June 18-26, 2010 to work in the Getsemaní community and to get to know some of their counterparts in our "Red de Pastores" (Network of Pastors) partner churches.

We continue to have excellent response to the informational meetings, both within MPPC and at other churches throughout the region. A fall brigade is in early planning stages. For more information on ANY brigade, email [Elizabeth Little](#).

DISASTER UPDATE

Our hearts and prayers continue to go out to all the victims of the flooding in El Salvador and most recently to the victims of the devastation in Haiti. MPPC has designated funds from the endowment fund for El Salvador and for Haiti relief. Pray for all those who are working to save lives and rebuild communities.

