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the **ETHAN SHIELDS** family

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Third generation missionaries assisting the indigenous church planting effort in Panama

The new Sunday School classes at New Hope in San Félix have been a great success with many people giving wonderful feedback. During one of these classes, **pastor's wife and Beth led SEVEN kids to the Lord!** Ethan counseled two others concerning doubting their salvation. The next week, **another little girl got saved as well!** It's encouraging to see budding maturity and faithfulness in several recent converts.



Osiris and Jaime visited New Hope last Sunday and Osiris was in Beth's class. The lesson was about security of salvation and the Holy Spirit. After church when Beth went to find Osiris, **one of the ladies in Beth's class had already grabbed Osiris and was leading her to the Lord!** Her boyfriend, **Jaime, accepted Christ too!**



Ethan drove five hours to Panama City to see a new specialist about the hives he has battled since March. New testing seems to indicate an autoimmune issue with his thyroid. Ethan then saw an endocrinologist who told him he is a medical mystery! This doctor seems to be the best yet and we are **praying** for the Lord to use him to figure this all out.



Elena turned 15 last month!



She was gifted a beautiful handmade, indigenous style dress and bag from friends at church.

For several years now there has been a man going from church to church causing division. He calls himself a pastor, yet he only stirs up strife and steals money. He has caused more than one church split and our team has confronted him multiple times. Unfortunately he has started to convince some local pastors to leave sound doctrine. Our team continues to counsel straight from the Bible as we deal with the fallout, but pride has crept in and many are refusing to heed the authority of Scripture. **PLEASE PRAY.**

Prayer Requests:

- ▶ **Pray** for Ethan's hives to go away permanently and also for a small hand surgery he will have done on 10/24.
- ▶ **Pray** for the official meeting with the aviation authorities concerning the runway approval on 10/26.
- ▶ **Pray** for an important pastor's meeting on 10/28. This will determine whether these pastors continue to fellowship with us or not.
- ▶ **Pray** for many to be baptized on 10/30 and for it to be a testimony to many unsaved family members.