



Thank You SIFAT Family!

Thank you for your generosity this year! As 2021 kicked off, we cautiously began to plan, but were still in the midst of a worldwide pandemic. How would we safely continue *Sharing God's Love in Practical Ways*? Your faithfulness and commitment to our ministry allowed us to keep going, even when we were forced to pivot. In Costa Rica, renovations began on our Central American Training Center, while our campus in Alabama reopened in late February. In Ecuador, *SIFAT Doctor in your House/The Golden Bread* met physical needs in our graduates' communities. Internationally, our graduates kept adapting their ministries to arising needs caused by the effects of the pandemic.

Although 2021 was another difficult year, your prayers, continued financial support and encouragement blessed our organization. Thank you for being part of our SIFAT family! As we look forward to 2022, we pray that international teams can begin to travel, and we can open our doors for more training events.

International Training



Our Central American Training Center in Costa Rica has developed considerably! Thanks to our eight Honduran interns, four volunteers and staff, we now have a Farmer Field Science Center that is integrated with our demonstration farm. We focus on soil improvement with a composting system, vermiculture and organic fertilizers and pesticides. Our new animal stable system incorporates producing needed animal food and gives us a place to milk the goat. The

greenhouse and nursery are producing plants, seedlings and seed conservation.

We started 2021 with two virtual trainings, then we opened up for 22 outdoor farm tours, demonstrations and workshops in family gardening. Our interns and volunteers also completed a three-month SIFAT training course.

We are excited to have completed the Rancho renovations, which provide an open-air cafeteria, classroom and meeting area in a beautiful setting.

2021 Extras ...

During the summer, we restarted Worship on the Water (WOW) after having to pause in 2020 because of COVID. Each week, we met on the shores of Lake Wedowee to provide a worship service for our community. At WOW, we meet weekend visitors and locals alike to let them know about opportunities locally to make a difference globally.

In 2021, 839 churches and individuals gave generously and faithfully to our ministry. On GivingTuesday, we surpassed all of our previous records and surpassed our \$130,000 goal. With your support, we raised \$251,281, including our \$65,000 matching fund. Thank you!

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International Mission Teams

While teams could not travel to Ecuador, *SIFAT Doctor in your House* and *The Golden Bread* met needs in our projects' communities. Since May 2020, these programs have provided approximately:

- 4,000 people received medical care, medicines, vitamins and deworming treatment
- 40,000 breakfasts for the elderly in Atucucho (five days per week)
- 25 lbs. of rice each for 9,000 families (35,000 people)
- 2,500 lunches for children in Aida Leon (began October '21)



We also raised funds to complete SIFAT's commitment to the Aida Leon church to finish the building, which mission teams began in 2018.

In Bolivia, progress continues on the chicken and fish project that will help support our SIFAT/CENATEC director Huber Ramos. The chickens are producing, and the paiche are growing! This project will help CENATEC become self-sustaining.

International Projects

Our international graduates' projects committee approved nine large projects (about \$5,000 each) and 11 small projects (around \$200 each) with more than \$73,000 raised to help our graduates continue their ministries. These projects included a well, two poultry projects, agriculture for women, farming, protective school fence, raising pigs, organic fertilizer, soil restoration and vocational skills training for the disabled. Visit our international projects page on our website to learn more about these projects.

Where SIFAT Invested our Resources



Note: We invested in infrastructure upgrades for our phone and internet services that now allow us to hold virtual trainings and provide high speed wifi for campus guests.

Galilee Campus and Learn & Serve



2021 was another year of change and growth. While campus reopened in late February, we kept working on improvements to our buildings and grounds. With the help of his family and friends, we turned our butterfly garden into the John Carr Memorial Garden to honor our gardener, who passed away.

In our Global Village, the Nigeria houses received new roofs and the urban slum was updated with more supports and

new walls. Throughout campus, we addressed water runoff issues and improved our roads.

We also debuted new retreat packages and retreat programming options, including an updated Global Health Day for nursing and public health students. During 2021, we hosted groups from as far away as Texas and had almost 900 people visit our campus for Learn & Serve retreats and field trips.