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Dear Friends,

What a blessing to greet you from Nicaragua! I want to share a few ways in which the Lord has been faithful in this season.

You may remember from my last update that we were praying for a position in our regional office to be filled. I am thrilled to share that after interviewing several candidates, Eldy was offered and accepted the position.

Eldy is 24 and lives in the Las Piedras community, where CEPAD worked during our 2015-2020 cycle. Members of his family were involved in CEPAD's Sustainable Agriculture Program, which piqued Eldy's interest in the organization. When he learned there was an open position, he applied.

We are excited to have Eldy join our staff and are helping to acclimate him to the new work environment.



Eldy

The rainy season is in full swing in Nicaragua. Due to climate change, the rainy season can be unpredictable. Last year, it came very late and ended up doing more damage than good with lots of flooding and loss of crops. This year, the rainy season started on time and is bountiful! Please continue to pray that this season provides a good harvest for all of our rural farmers without causing dangerous flooding and landslides. While the rain makes it difficult for my clothes to dry on the line and makes so much noise on our metal rooves, I know the earth needs it, and we are grateful.

We got to celebrate some graduations recently! While we work with communities for five years and will not complete our cycle until the end of 2025, our Sustainable Agriculture and Women's Entrepreneurship Programs are only two and a half years, so we can go through two rounds of training in each five-year cycle. In total, 110 people graduated from the programs. We are so proud of their accomplishments and can't wait to see what they continue to do! This also means that we can welcome 110 new beneficiaries into the programs to start attending workshops this year already.

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Ways to pray over the next few months:

- The rainy season would continue to be consistent for our rural farmers.
- The new round of participants who will start workshops this year.
- My upcoming Home Assignment to visit supporters and see family and friends.