

Emmanuel Ministries

Dear Friends

I write to you with a heart filled with gratefulness and hope for you and our children at Emmanuel. For many years we have had a "Sponsor Program" where families, churches and individuals support one of our children with a monthly contribution, prayer, gifts on special occasions, letters that go back and forth, and the blessing of a friendship. There are many of you "sponsors" out there that have made our work not only possible, but you have enriched the lives of our children in so many ways. Such is the story of Erick Falomir. Erick has been with us since he was 7. Maybe some of you have read his story of how he has had to care for his mother who suffers from severe epilepsy. Erick is no longer 7, he is now 17 years old, he is been at Emmanuel 10 years, he is going on to 11th grade this coming August.



He plays the base for our worship team, he also plays the drums. He is a beautiful young man who loves the Lord and the desire of his heart is to become a dentist to help others, have his own practice and support his mom. Erick received the news from one of his sponsor families that due to the difficult economic situation the United States is going through they could no longer support him economically, but that he and Emmanuel would continually be in their prayers. We are so grateful to this family and all the individuals that we know

are going through difficult economic times, we thank you for your faithfulness of so many years. Without your help, Erick's story would not be possible. I could go on and on sharing my heart about how blessed all our children are with all their sponsors, but at this time I want to share the letter that Erick sent to his sponsor family. Erick will continue to be at Emmanuel until he can stand on his own. We believe this is what the Lord wants for us to accomplish in every life we can. With Erick's permission, I share a piece of his heart and life and his wonderful friendship of 10 years with his sponsor family that will be in his heart for his life time and we hope that of his sponsor family:

Dear Sponsor Family,

How are you? I hope you are well. I am doing well. I want to thank you for everything you have done for me through the years, and thank you for always thinking of me. For making a difference in my life and for helping me be better in every area of my life. I will do well, and I want to share with you my future plans. When I graduate from high school I want to study to be a dentist and work with Armando (Armando is our dentist here at the Home and our worship leader at church).