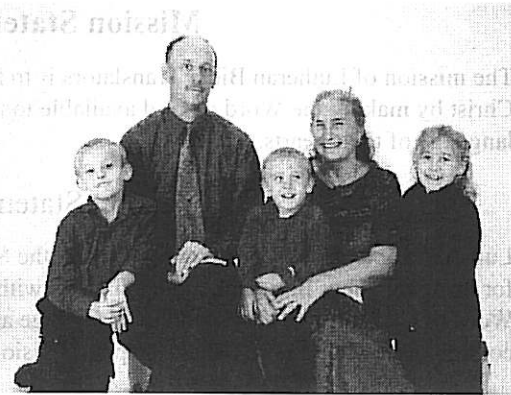


The Larsens
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Holy Scriptures...have the power to give you wisdom so you can be saved through faith in Christ Jesus...equip God's servants so they are completely prepared to do good things.

II Timothy 3:15-17



Allen and Sheri Larsen are missionaries to the Garífuna people of Guatemala with Lutheran Bible Translators. They have been working with Cristo El Salvador Lutheran church in its evangelistic outreach to the Garífuna people since March 1996. They live in Puerto Barrios on the Caribbean coast.

The Garífuna project shares the Gospel of Jesus Christ and helps Christians to grow in their faith. The ministry has expanded to work with additional churches and Garífuna Christians throughout Central America. Teacher training workshops and Bible story workshops help involve Garífuna Christians to spread the Scriptures. Videos are also helping tell God's story. Material, too, has been designed to help others read Garífuna and be exposed to the Good News.

Allen and Sheri have three children who were all born in Guatemala; Kendra (May 21, 1996), Thomas (December 22, 1997) and Peter (May 1, 2001). The children are not only a blessing to the family, but also have opened doors to relationships with the Guatemalan people.

The Larsens ask for your prayers. Pray that this vital ministry would continue to go forward. Please pray that the Lord would provide for and protect their family as they live and work in Guatemala. Pray also that Satan will have no power to hinder the work in any way. Continue to pray that God's Word would continue to spread to those who do not have it.

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