



Finding Freedom  
through Friendship

*Life's deepest significance is measured by giving to someone who can never repay you — enrich your life by being a part of the solution.*

## Aury's Story | Guatemala

### Perseverance & Hope For 4 Children

- As an abandoned mother of four boys, Aury struggled with the health care needs of her toddler, who has cerebral palsy. Two of her children need corrective eye surgery. The toddler's health care needs require this mother to travel on a four-hour round trip twice a week or physical therapy. Doing so requires that she takes four boys with her on a public bus since she has no transportation of her own.
- Aury has instigated formal action against her abusive husband. Because of the legal proceedings, she is not allowed to seek safer housing (per the judges' order).
- The demands of raising four young boys have hampered this mother's efforts to find a job that does not require child-care, which is unavailable in her village
- Aury was recommended to our program because of her dedication to her children, her fortitude in meeting their needs, and her determination to get to a better place for her family's future.

### How Finding Freedom Helped

- Admitted this family to our widow program. By doing so we fed the family vital food for the last year. The food is delivered monthly.
- We include the school-aged boys are in our scholarship program; FFF pays for their school expenses and supplies.
- FFF connected Aury's youngest son to an orthopedic professional to fabricate a brace so the child could learn how to walk properly.
- FFF admitted Aury to our micro-business program. We paid for the initial stock items for a school supply store. Mentored her in how to operate the business and retain a profit for restocking.

### The Outcome

- Aury's children have enjoyed improved health and nutrition thanks to the FFF food supplements.
- Aury is now the owner of her FFF donated micro-business (school supply store)
- The burden of paying for the scholastic needs of three of the boys has been lifted.
- Once the pandemic has passed, FFF will connect an eye surgeon to the two sons who need corrective eye surgery.



**Aury with sewing project she uses to supplement income. FFF donated micro business: Book store**



**Aury's Children**

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