

Dear Angela and Family,

It is very nice to have the chance to write you our last report of 2016. This year has been wonderful and all the support you sent to Nataly has made her life less difficult.

I have mentioned that Nataly is a very happy girl; she is always in a good mood. Nataly has a great relationship with her two siblings Lazaro and Keylin. Nataly is always willing to help her mother with the household chores. She is old enough to cook when her mother is not at home or busy doing other chores.

Nataly loves when our health promoters visit her, she is always laughing and very talkative. Some time ago our promoters went to Ceylan to visit our children, when they arrived to Nataly's house she and her sister Keylin were cooking a vegetable soup. They had already made tortillas and were almost ready to eat lunch.



You know that a big problem in the rural area is potable water. People need to carry the water from near rivers or water wells; in addition people collect rain water when it is possible. People collect the water in small containers but others like Nataly's family have huge ones like the one you can see in the picture. They are normally there to store grains but also they can keep a lot of water in there.

After speaking with Nataly about the household chores she started to talk about school. September was the last month of class, after that they had a week of finals and since the middle of October the students were on vacation, until January. Nataly told us that September was a very hard month because it is also the month in

which we celebrate independence and usually schools prepare a lot of cultural activities, including a big parade on September 15th. It is a very exciting day, some students are proud to have the best scores wearing a band that distinguishes them from others of course they also hold the flags. Some students are part of the musical band, others wear different traditional costumes and the rest are part of the parade with the uniform of the school. Furthermore Nataly told us that they needed to prepare different group work including a role play. After all these activities they needed to study for the finals and it was very tough. Even though Nataly is one of the best students of her class, she always studies hard to improve her grades.

When we visited Nataly, the school had not yet given the results, but we are sure she won the grade. So, it means that next year she is going to start with basics or junior high school. It is different and harder than elementary, sometimes in rural areas in our country a lot of students decided to stop studying and start working. Nataly is convinced that through education people can improve their lives. So, she is happy and excited to continue studying next year.



Nataly's parents are very responsible and they want the best for their three children. The father works hard to continue paying the house that Construcasa through VA built last year. The mother is in charge of attending the children and teaches them the different household chores, she knows her children have a lot of responsibilities at school but she wants that they also learn to be responsible at home as well.

Nataly is very happy to count with your support and the whole family wants to send you lots of hugs and greetings to you and your family. The Christmas season is very close and they also want to send you their best wishes, Nataly said that her best gift this Christmas is your friendship and your support.



Happy Holidays from the Vamos Adelante team and Ingrid