

My name is Marvin Sanchez. I am married to Karla Vanessa, and we have a baby boy, Angel Mixcal, who was born on August 22nd of 2007. I am Project H.O.P.E.'s Director of Social Programs, specifically called *Furia Santa*, which means Holy Fire. I have worked with Project H.O.P.E. since hurricane Mitch hit the country of Nicaragua in 1998. I started out as a volunteer with this organization and later became employed to train pastors in the rural areas of Nicaragua.

I trained the pastors in church growth and discipleship, with practical classes. After working in this for a while, God moved me within the same organization to a different ministry. This new ministry is working with gang members and with the youth that are involved in delinquency. This new ministry is called *Furia Santa*. This ministry has already brought forth fruit by opening a church in a neighborhood or Barrio called Quintanina, where its actual pastor is Vladimir, an ex-drug addict, who once roamed in this Barrio. Another fruit that *Furia Santa* has produced is a soccer team that is in the third division of the national federation of soccer in Nicaragua. This team is formed by young kids who are being disciples – four of which have already been rescued from the dark world of drugs.

It is my passion to see a world clean from drugs, of gangs and delinquency, so we can enjoy the plentiful life our God has given us. My passion is based on my past, because I used to be a gang leader (Los Salineros) in Barrio campo Bruce in Managua where I grew up. Now my eternal battle is to fight alongside Jesus Christ to rescue, together, as many youth as we can.

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