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MAY 2017 “THE CAPITANA” I first met her on one of my weekly visits to the Renecer prison. She was the officer in charge and so I greeted her in her private office. She was cordial but nothing special about meeting her. My book had not been written yet and so she knew little of my experiences over several years at the prison.

Then, one day everything was about to change...for her, for me and for the prison. Her college age son arrived on his vacation to visit his mother at the prison. During the times his visits, he met a prisoner name Pepe. Pepe had come to know Christ here at the prison and became part of our Christian group. That is how I met Pepe.

Now this is where it gets interesting...Pepe got to be a friend with the Capitana's son and soon the son gave his life to the Lord. Then, during his vacation time, he led his mother, the Capitana to the Lord! There is more to say...

The Capitana then began to be excited about telling others about the Lord. She was a great help to me and the Christian prisoners as we wanted to set up special programs, teams and movies. After two more years she was transferred to another location and then I did not see her for quite a time.

One day she called. She had retired and was now part of a ministry team for a good church in the San Migelito area. She asked if I could help support with some of the food and literature for the people they were seeking to help in that area. This really encouraged me to see how the Capitana made a decision for Christ in Renecer and now continues on to serve the Lord.

Now let me tell you more about Pepe. After a couple of years he was released and I did not know what happened to him. Then recently when I went into a bank at the Albrook Mall, the security guard asked me to remove my hat (for security reasons). When I lifted up my hat suddenly I heard, “Pastor Wilbur...it's me, Pepe.”

I quickly found out about his history of when he was released and how he got a job as a security guard at the bank. (I find this humourous to see how a former prisoner is given a gun and then sent to go work in a bank...this is just too much!)

Pepe is still living for the Lord after all these years where God changed his life in the prison. The Capitana is also still serving the Lord at her church. This is so encouraging to see how God continues to work in people's lives after prison. Thank you for your prayer and support!

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