



**CAZUCA**  
**Bogota. Colombia**

On the southern edge of downtown Bogota is

Cazuca, a slum that is home to approximately 60,000 residents. There are few schools and no pavements, running water or other basic services. Poverty and crime have made the slum an urban wasteland.

A "refugee" community since the 1970's, there is constant danger and threat of violence by the armed conflict between government, guerrilla and paramilitary forces vying for power and territory.

Cazuca receives some of the largest numbers of displaced people in Colombia.

Youth have few opportunities here and are at great risk of being recruited by armed groups. Often, refusal to join a group results in murder.



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# MISSIONS

## Mary Hutton Bogota



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FORMANDO VIDAS

**ABOUT MARY...** Mary is from Loxton and has 3 children and 10 grandchildren.

In 2005 Mary left Australia, in obedience to



God, to work with street children in Bogota, Colombia. She is currently volunteering for an organisation called *Formando Vidas* in Cazuca in southern Bogota.



Mary has no running water in her little apartment and carries water every morning up stairs to use for cooking, showering and toilet.



A prayer warrior, Mary gets up at 3-4am every morning to pray. "To have quiet time with the Lord. It's the only thing that

keeps me going. It energises me and keeps me focused. It's so important to have a disciplined devotional life and start your day with Jesus. Sit and listen to Him...you don't have to say a word. But you're with Him."

Mary coordinates "Friends Club" which is held in her home and reaches over 400 children and young people.



### FRIEND'S CLUB...

reaches out with the Gospel to the very needy children who live in one of the many

slums in Bogota. Daily, different sessions are run to enable the hundreds of kids who show up, the opportunity to come in. All who come hear a Biblical message about an alternative way of living. Through crafts, actions, songs and games, friendships are established. The teenagers come for Bible study and mentoring. The mothers and babies learn to establish bonds and receive much needed stimulation. On Saturdays an average of 150 kids come to hear Bible stories and lessons.



**FORMANDO VIDAS (Shaping Lives)...** is a Christian Ministry to children at risk in Bogota, Colombia under the umbrella of Youth with A Mission (YWAM).

They exist to honour God and share His love through regenerating street and pre-street children, their families and future generations.



*"Unwanted children, broken homes, fatherless, day to day existence, abuse, uneducated, illiterate, hungry, desperate, slum dwellers, recyclers, overcrowding, homeless, unemployed, seeking love, grime, filth, displaced, victims, thieves, violence, survival. These are just some words that describe the children and families we serve".*

**Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead. James 2: 15-17**