

**Ministry Name:** Plant With Purpose (formerly known as Floresta)      **Year Formed:** 1984

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### **Overview of Ministry**

Plant With Purpose works in some of the poorest countries of the world, where poverty and deforestation have created a vicious cycle of need. Plant With Purpose transforms the lives of the rural poor by addressing the root causes of poverty, empowering the rural poor to create lasting transformation in their communities. Rather than providing handouts, Plant With Purpose teaches business and agricultural skills that equip communities to solve their own problems.

We currently work with over 25,000 people in 250 villages in 6 countries, including Haiti, The Dominican Republic, Mexico, Tanzania, Burundi and Thailand. To date we have planted over 4 million trees, made over 6,000 microloans, trained over 1,000 pastors and community leaders and seen thousands of people lifted from poverty and put their faith in Christ. "We teach, we plant, we create enterprise and we share the gospel."

### **Potential TBG Opportunities to Get Involved**

1. Participate in a Plant With Purpose Vision Trip to visit and encourage rural communities.
2. Provide leadership and wise council to help us manage a season of rapid organizational growth.
3. Host a small regional gathering to help us share our story with others.