Casting his net: A day in the life of a Guatemalan dad

Jose Maria, like his father and grandfather before him, fishes for a living. Every morning he goes out on Lake Atitlan in Guatemala so he can provide for his family. This Labor Day, we celebrate Jose Maria and hard-working people everywhere, whose work reflects the dignity of their Creator.

Watch a short video about Jose Maria and his life on the lake.

Jose Maria has a child sponsored through Unbound. Founded by lay Catholics in 1981, Unbound works with families overcoming extreme poverty in Latin America, Africa and Asia. We invite you to join the Unbound community in a Labor Day prayer.

Please pray

Loving God, bless all who work to earn their daily bread. Grant them diligence and renew their spirits when they are weary. May they know the dignity of their labors and be appreciated by the communities they serve. We pray, too, for those who’ve lost their jobs because of the pandemic. May we stand with them in their time of need, and may our world soon be blessed with recovery and wholeness. We ask this in the name of our Lord and brother, Jesus the Christ. Amen.
Learn more about Unbound’s work with families around the world.