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1 Peter 4:1-11

Once we participated in a retreat for Peruvian pastors. It was a wonderful event, with great preaching and victories. On the last day we went to a little town nearby for souvenir shopping. One pastor took us to a hat store owned by an 82-year-old man. The owner appeared and tried to try to sell some hats.

The pastor explained, "This man is a member of my former church; a layperson and a church planter." We asked the man how many churches he planted. He said very clearly, "Fourteen, sir, and all are still functioning." Then he added, "I am planting my 15th church." We asked, what is your strategy? He came out from behind the counter and stood in front of us. He lifted the legs of his pants and showed us his knees. They were covered with calluses! Pointing to them, he said, "Prayer is my strategy. God points to me a community and I start praying for new converts. I knock on doors until I get a convert and a house that will open for prayer. Later we begin services." He went on and said that he was saved when he was 68 years old.

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