



COLOMBIA

Around the world, there are lots of countries where it's difficult to be a Christian.

The man on the bike is a Colombian church leader, a dangerous job in Colombia. He's not popular with some people. Rebel leaders and criminal gangs don't like Christian leaders because they teach people to be kind, to tell the truth and not to use violence. So this church leader received threats that, unless he closed his church, he would be killed. Bravely, he kept his church open. But he has to be careful.

This happens to lots of church leaders in Colombia. That's why they and their families meet in secret to encourage one another. The picture shows a meeting where Christian leaders and their families gather together. There are lots of tears and prayers – but also lots of fun. It's good to relax for a few days and be part of a bigger family that cares for one another.

Prayer: Thank You, Lord, that I am part of a huge family around the world that loves You. Please let Your children in Colombia know they are not forgotten.