

Friends. and Faith

From an interview by Melissa Hart



Hi!
I'm Ivana.

I live in Bogotá, Colombia, and I stand tall by sharing the gospel with my friends and family.



Here I am with my friend Luisa.

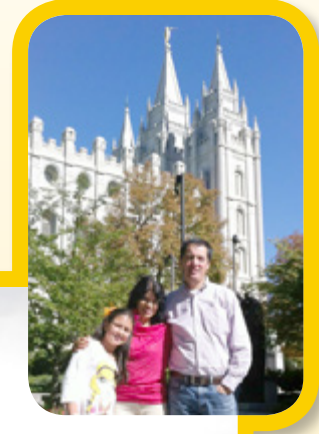
I go to a Catholic school for girls. Some of my beliefs are different than those of my classmates and teachers, but they respect me, and I respect them. They are curious about my religion, and I get to share it with them!

A teacher asked me if we believed the same things as Catholics. I told her that we believe in Jesus Christ. I also talked about the Book of Mormon, the Bible, and the Doctrine and Covenants.

My dad isn't a member of the Church, but he often comes to the activities. I tease him that he is a "Cath-ormon" (Catholic-Mormon).



We visited Salt Lake City for general conference and heard President Monson speak. His words are so beautiful, and they teach about the gospel.



I invited one school friend to come to my baptism, and she did! I'm glad I got to share that experience with her.



The Bogotá Colombia Temple is beautiful. I want to go inside someday so I can learn more about the gospel. My friend Laura came with me when I visited the temple grounds.

IVANA'S TIPS FOR STANDING TALL

- Smile and share stories from church and scriptures with others.
- Attend Church meetings every Sunday.
- Have family home evening.
- Try to read the scriptures every day.

