These Mayan folktales give a profound and moving voice to an ancient culture and its rich history and tradition. In Victor Montejo’s Preface to these Mayan tales we read: “It is my desire to leave a testimony to the values of respect, unity and understanding that existed between the people and their natural environment. For example, in ancient times, birds were considered the “living colors of the world” and people admired them profoundly. Among these birds, the buzzard, also called the “bird who cleans the world,” was appreciated because of its service in cleaning the surroundings of the village.”