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“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.” John 14:27 (New International Version)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. We praise the Lord God for all He is doing in our lives and in the ministry here in Peru, for filling us with His Holy Spirit to guide and direct each of our steps, and for pouring out His grace upon us through His precious Son, Jesus Christ. We hope that the Lord Jesus has been blessing you wonderfully during this past month, and that your life has been filled with His glorious riches and mercy. We are so thankful to God for you.

God has really confirmed to us that we are making the right decision about letting the Peruvians take responsibility for the ministry. Many have started to put into practice what they learned in the workshops about sharing the Gospel and Healing prayer. God has been moving in a great way in the hearts of many Peruvians, in spite of the quarantine that we are still in.

Alberto has been sharing our prayer guide on Wednesdays with about 63 people and their families. This includes people living all over Peru, one person in Brazil, one person in Argentina, one person in Columbia, and one in the United States. We praise God because he has been honoring and changing people’s lives through prayer. For example, Cleia, John’s mother, had serious emotional problems, but through prayer, she accepted the Lord Jesus as her Savior and Lord. John told us that she is very tranquil now and wants to grow in the Lord Jesus. Rut, a young lady, who is part of one of our discipleship groups, has been praying for her sister to know Christ, and recently, her sister prayed to receive Christ. We know of at least 15 people that have prayed to receive Christ during this time.



Some of our prayer warriors and their families.

Marita Peña, is a sister in Christ who is part of a discipleship group that is learning how to use the inductive Bible study method. Her son, Edvard, fell off the 2nd floor of their house recently, and because there was a curfew, she couldn't take him to the hospital that night, so she prayed with Alberto on the phone. The next morning she took him to the hospital, and he at least had not broken any bones, so she was thankful for that. In the hospital, she met a lady whose son was in critical condition and unconscious, after he had been robbed and assaulted. Marita shared the gospel with this lady, and prayed with her. The lady was already a Christian, but was in need of ministry. Marita used some of the Healing prayer techniques that she had learned with the lady. The lady really appreciated Marita helping her. Marita was very excited about how God had used her, and she now understands how God works in our lives, if we just follow Him each step of the way.



Edvard

Alberto has been writing daily devotionals, and has been sharing them by e-mail or by virtual platforms through our network of leaders. So far, over 336 people are using the devotionals, and we understand that they have been sharing them with others. Darwin has a friend, Romulo Quispe, who is distributing the devotionals through his large list of business contacts. Also, 25 leaders have received a copy of the material that Alberto wrote about how to do an inductive Bible study. Alberto and the leaders practice this method in small groups by WhatsApp each week. Darwin has a contact that is distributing the devotionals through his large list of business contacts.

We are grateful that during this time the farm could continue to function. Jorge and the workers have been harvesting coffee and are preparing to start this year's major harvest period of cacao. We hope that the transportation issues that we currently have will be resolved by the time we need to move the product to market. The price of both products has dropped on the market, and we are praying that it will rebound by the time we need to sell. We are fortunate that we can store both products for a period of time after they are harvested and processed, so we have some time cushion.



Jorge and Edgar peeling coffee cherries.

During our time of quarantine, we have been reminded by God just to be thankful for everything. We are thankful that we have more time to spend with Jesus, for food, for hot water

to take showers, for Ivan, who helps Mary Alice carry the groceries home from the market and the grocery store, for Alberto, who continually encourages us spiritually, for our house, that has a partly open roof, so that we can see outside, for a place to walk inside our house, for our family, for our supporters who always pray for us, and most of all for Jesus, who is always with us and gives us peace. Like you, we don't know what the future holds, but we are going to depend on Jesus and follow Him, no matter what happens.

Just to let you know, our quarantine has been extended to May 10th. We are so sorry that we couldn't get our written thank you notes to everyone and our written newsletter for the month to those who normally receive it, but the post office is not open, and we don't know when it will open again. We do deeply appreciate all that you do for us.

We would appreciate it if you would pray for these requests for May:

1. Please pray that God will give people peace during the quarantines, that He will stop the corona virus in His timing, and that He will give His comfort to those that have lost loved ones.
2. Please pray that God will give us a great harvest of chocolate beans and coffee and that transportation will be restored.
3. Please pray that the key leaders will work together in unity and make decisions about the mission that are in God's will.
5. Please pray that God will keep us healthy and lift the quarantine soon.
6. Please pray that God will heal Alex, Edith Astete's husband, from the corona virus. He is improving and is now off of the ventilator.
7. Please pray that all leaders of the different countries will come to know Jesus and will have God's wisdom to deal with issues related to the virus and the economy.

Please be in prayer for each one of our workers and for each one of the ministries and projects, the discipleship ministry, the evangelism and church planting ministry, the prayer ministry, and the work to self-sustain these ministries. Please pray for the leaders of the churches in Peru, and for their spiritual protection and growth in the Lord Jesus. Also be in prayer for Martin and Tracy Reeves, Paul and Kelly Wiegert, Tim and Jennifer Goshorn, and their families. All are missionaries with TMS Global that currently work in Peru. Please pray for our safety as we travel, and that we will boldly speak God's Word wherever we go.

We pray that Jesus will continue to give you hope to live each day for Him, and we also pray that God is drawing you closer and closer to Him every day. God bless you. We love you.

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cethan and Mary Alice". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

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P.S. We praise the Lord Jesus for providing through each and every one of you during the year. Many of you have helped us make up the shortfall we had for 2018 during 2019. As you may be aware, we are responsible for raising not only our own support, but the funds necessary to support the entire ministry here in Peru. Our giving has been down slightly, but due to the quarantine here, so are our costs. We are now working on our budget for the Peru ministry in Peru for 2020 which is \$105,700. Thanks to your generous gifts, we have received 26% of this need. Any financial help you could give us, either in a onetime gift or monthly support, would be appreciated. Monthly gifts of \$50.00, \$100.00, or more are very helpful. Really, no amount is too small. Please pray that we can raise the necessary level so we don't have to reduce the ministries in the future. If you feel led to help financially support the Peru ministry, you can give using the following link:

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