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**“For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.”
1 Chronicles 16:25 (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 is continuing to change many Peruvians’ lives with his wonderful love. During the pandemic Antonella, a young lady who leads a discipleship group in Huancavelica, invited Kenye to study the Bible online with other youth. This group met for the first time the first week of April 2020 on Tuesday. Kenye attended a Pentecostal church for a good while, but studying online was a blessing for him because he had so many questions about Jesus, and when people answered his questions, he began to grow very deeply in his knowledge of Jesus. In his group, the youth were studying the gospel of John, and Kenye always wondered why the birth of Jesus was not a part of this gospel. He thought a lot about this, and he realized that John talked about Jesus as God – I Am. He came to the conclusion that John presented Jesus as the God who created everything, and by His love God made Jesus to become a human. This caused a great impact in Kenye, and he continues to study the Bible and learn about Jesus.

For his job, Kenye had to leave Huancavelica not long after that, but each time he is in the city now, he leads the discipleship group with his fiancé, Martina, in Antonella’s house. They will get married September 9th. Praise the Lord!



Kenye

In August, Beto conducted a workshop with a group of youth who Antonella knew, and they studied in Ovidio and Delia's house in Huancavelica. Ovidio and Delia opened their house so that the youth could study the Bible together in an informal setting. Normally there are about 15 participants in a workshop, but in this case, there were a lot of participants who came and went during the three days. Beto felt like he had never seen so much interest by people wanting to study the Bible, and the time flew by very quickly. He didn't know some of the youth, but a couple of young men he had known for about a year. Moises was very different from the last time that Beto had seen him, because he participated a lot more in the conversations and seemed very happy. Miguel had a lot of questions and while they were walking together, Beto answered those questions. Miguel decided to get baptized before the end of the year, and his decision encouraged others to think about doing the same thing. God continues to change people one by one through discipleship and His love.



Some of the workshop attendees left to right: Delia, Ovidio, Alicia, Maritza, Jhon, Hilda, Yola, Sandra, Gianpiere, Antonella, Efrain, Edith, (children) and Ruth.

The online discipleship groups and the in-person discipleship groups are continuing to meet. This month there were 126 people participating in the virtual groups and 337 people participating in the in-person groups. There are twelve virtual groups with seven mentors, and twenty-two in-person groups with twenty-two mentors. They are studying one of these books of the Bible: Acts, the gospel of Matthew, Daniel, the gospel of Luke, or the Psalms. Beto really enjoys leading these groups, as well as the other discipleship leaders.

Beto, Arthur, and Ivan went to the farm, and Arthur is still investigating how he can improve the water situation there. Jorge helped him perform a test boring to find water, and in the future, they might dig a well at the site. The farm team is continuing to harvest the cacao, and it is going very well. The price of it went up to 11.50 soles per kilo, and there should be even more harvesting done during the next weeks. Beto also talked with a person that can prune the coffee plants in preparation for the next harvest. There was some difficulty with the banana buyers this month because the person that we used to buy it from stopped entering the Pachacutec community for reasons that we aren't sure about, and we have been unable to communicate with him. Please pray that we can find a new buyer, soon.



Arthur and Jorge drilling test boring.

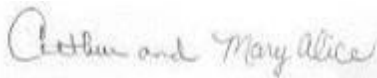
Prayer Requests and Praises for September

1. Please pray that God will heal two of our friends from cancer – John Pearson from lymphoma and Robyn Burruss from prostate cancer.
2. Praise the Lord that Peru has become more peaceful without the protestors blocking the roads. The uprisings in Lima at the end of the month were very small. Please pray for the area along the Bolivian border where problems still persist.
3. Please pray that the Lord Jesus would continue to call persons to work with Beto in the ministry. As the number of groups grow, we need more dedicated mentors to lead them.
4. Please pray that God will use Jacson Perez Ramos to disciple people in the area around the farm in the Pachucotec and Saigon communities.
5. There have been more cases of dengue and malaria in the jungle in the area around the farm, so please pray that God will protect all the farm workers there from getting these diseases.

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 Tim and Jennifer Goshorn, and their family, who 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,



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P.S. We praise the Lord Jesus for providing through each and every one of you during the year. 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. We were working on raising funds for the Peru portion of the ministry for 2023 which is \$69,000. Thanks to your generous gifts, we have received 60.2% of this need. Any financial help you could give us, either as a one-time 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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