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"For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope."

Romans 15:4 (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.

We received wonderful news on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, when our son Joshua let us know that we had a new grandson, born to him and Rocio. His name is Noah Caleb, and we are thankful to God because everyone is doing fine. Joshua and Rocio are continuing to raise support to come to Peru through Partners, so we would appreciate your prayers for them.

We were also blessed when Benjamin Perez, Alejandra Aquino's son, and his wife, Franchesca, visited with us. Benjamin participates in one of Beto's discipleship groups on-line, and leads his own group, too. When he had Covid-19, he had a hard time, but Franchesca and he prayed fervently to the Lord. The Lord was good to them, because he healed him. Franchesca is a medical doctor and works with people who have Covid-19. She treats them with medicine, but she also emphasizes the importance of praying to God and depending on Him for healing. At least sixty of her patients have been healed from the virus. She has encouraged them with the hope of God.

On their way back from San Martín de Pangoa, Beto, his son Mateo, Robin, and Saúl visited with Elizabeth and Keren in Satipo. Elizabeth went to the Methodist Church in Satipo for years where Beto had been pastor many years ago. She decided to start her own study group in her house, which she calls a group of peace. The group met together for a good while, but when the quarantine began in March 2020, the group couldn't meet together, but she continued to follow up with some of the people that were part of her group. She is continuing to serve the Lord and to share with others, so that they will know Christ.

Keren, Elizabeth's oldest daughter who is twenty-nine years old, served the Lord for a long time discipling children and youth. She became very discouraged during the quarantine, but she is ready to draw closer to the Lord and to serve other people, now. Now she is participating consistently in Beto's inductive Bible study group and is receiving new hope through the Scriptures.



Keren and Elizabeth

Beto also had the privilege of visiting Cirilo's family in Huari. Cirilo has participated in the spiritual area of the medical campaigns for years, and his wife, Paulina, and he encourage people in the church in their community. In April 2020, the pastor's wife, Lola, died in an automobile accident, and one month later her husband, Emiliano died. In addition, Cirilo's wife, Paulina, died in August from Covid-19. It has been a difficult year for Cirilo's family, but he and his children, Fátima, and Edwin, continue to serve the Lord with joy and encourage people through the Scriptures.



Fátima, Edwin, and Cirilo

For years Darwin Dávila has discipled the people in a church in San Pedro de Saños. Because of the quarantine, they began to meet on-line to study together. Darwin also enjoys discipling people from the church where he came to know Christ, called the Star of David, and has

established online discipleship with many of them. Several people from different countries participate, and several people have come to know the Lord through this group.

Arthur and Mary Alice went to Lima, and Arthur received his permanent visa. Immigrations lost Mary Alice's picture from their system, so she had to have her picture taken before they can process her visa. Hopefully, she will receive her permanent visa soon. We will have to travel to Lima again to pick it up when it is ready.

Arthur is busy refurbishing the coffee peeler in preparation for the coffee harvest this year. Carlos Del Aguila, a young man that works with us, has been helping Arthur with this project. The machine is almost ready, and they hope to take it to the farm in late February.



Arthur working on the coffee peeler.

## **Prayer Requests for February:**

- 1. Ivan, the young man who lives with us, has contacted a virus, Bell's palsy, and has some paralysis in the left side of his face. He is doing therapy and taking medicine, and is improving a lot. Please pray for his complete healing.
- 2. Please pray that God will heal all the people that have Covid-19, and will use the vaccine to stop the virus from spreading all over the world. Jorge Ayala, one of our workers and former farm manager, has been hospitalized with the COVID virus and needs prayer.
- 3. Please pray that the Lord Jesus will stabilize the government situation here in Peru, and place in authority those he chooses.
- 4. Please pray that Arthur and Beto will find the right people to restore the mission leadership team after the death of Pedro Duran.
- 5. Please pray that God will give success to the farm team as they harvest and sell the chocolate beans and that the coffee harvest this year will be abundant and of good quality.
- 6. Please pray for Lúcio and Marita as they are expecting the birth of their third child in February. They have temporarily left the farm and are in Pangoa awaiting the birth.

7. Please pray that God will continue to give the discipleship leaders and the key leaders His wisdom and everything they need as they minister to others

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,

Arthur and Mary Alice Ivey

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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. Our giving has been down slightly, but due to the quarantine here, so are our costs. We are now working on raising funds for the Peru portion of the ministry for 2021 which is \$69,000. Thanks to your generous gifts, we have received 42.6% 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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