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***"... forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus." Philippians 3:13-14 NAS.***

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the name of our precious Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We praise the Lord God for having sent His Son, Jesus Christ, who has wonderfully blessed us, and for having sent his Holy Spirit to guide and teach us. We hope and pray that He has been blessing you wonderfully during this past month and that your life has been filled with His grace and mercy. We want to give you a special thanks for your continued prayers for us and support of the ministry in Peru. We definitely see the results of your prayers for us. You are special people called by our Lord Jesus Christ to minister to His children. Thank you for your faithfulness to His calling. Thank you for your love for Him, for us, and for His children.

We have been very blessed again this month to see the fruit of all of the prayers that you have been offering up to God on our behalf. During July we only shared in two events. We were privileged to share in our home church of Wesleyan Fellowship and at the Indian Springs Camp Meeting. Our boys, Benjamin and Joshua, attended the Wesleyan Fellowship Summer Camp and were blessed immensely. They were able to really interact with young people their own age for an extended period of time, and had the opportunity to see how they were similar and different than their peers here. We talked with more potential missionary candidates about working with us in Peru, and ask that you be in prayer for them as they seek God's guidance. Arthur is still working on repairs to our house so that we can rent it while we are in Peru. Please pray for Arthur to have time to complete this and for us to be able to find a suitable renter. Our pledged support has reached a level of approximately 75.5% of our projected budget. We are scheduled to return to Peru for October 26, 2005. Please continue to prayer for our support raising, and for the recruiting of additional missionaries.

We continued the work here to prepare the way for the medical team that would serve in Canta with our partner ministry in Peru, NEWMA (Mision-AMEN). The importation of medical supplies was successful for the Mayo Memorial United Methodist Church to Canta. Obed Alvarez wrote us and informed us that the medical campaign was a great success. We worked together with this team of medical professionals from the Mayo Memorial United Methodist Church in Paintsville Kentucky and a large team of Peruvian volunteers to provide medical, dental, and eye care services to people in the region of Canta. A satellite team split off for two days to hold a small clinic in Huamantanga in addition to the main clinic in Canta. The team provided medical attention to more than 3000 persons, and 680 of these precious people gave their lives to Jesus Christ. Two new works were planted in the Huamantanga area.



Cantá town square.

Pastor Pablo Paredes has continued the work in Palcazu and we now have a vision for reaching the area around them for Christ. They are currently holding weekly Kid's Clubs, visiting the homes of new believers, holding an evangelism ministry called Operation Impact in a local discotheque, evangelizing in the centers of prostitution and trying to help those trapped in that life style recover their sense of value and be set free in Christ Jesus, and discipling each new member on a track to make them mentors and disciples of others. The team from Morehead provided a small water treatment plant, and they are using that to minister in the area of health by providing potable water. The community health workers that were trained during the medical mission in June are also continuing their ministry. They have a vision to grow the new church in Palcazu to 1000 members while planting new works in 50 surrounding communities. They will be training lay pastors to head each of these works. Ultimately, we hope that all of the 108 villages that have been identified in the area will have their own church.



Pastor Bruce Nettleton from Morehead baptizing new believers in Palcazu.





The jungle town of Palcazu.

We have already been scheduling mission teams for 2006 and currently have eight teams on the calendar. Four of these teams will be medical missions. We have also begun our count down for our return to Peru. We are all longing to return. We will be sharing in churches and other groups up until we return to Peru. In August we will be at Wildwood United Methodist Church, Summerville United Methodist Church, and New Hope United Methodist Church, as well as several home groups. Arthur will be participating in the Latin American Mission Mobilization event in Costa Rica, also. Please be in prayer for us as we begin preparations for our return. Specifically pray for us to find a renter for our house, for us to find a place to store our belongings, and for the children as they try to finish their home school studies.

Please continue to be in prayer with us as we continue to raise support to return to Peru. If the Lord leads you to partner financially with us in this ministry, you can send gifts made payable to "The Mission Society" and designated "Ivey Support 254/IA" to the address shown at the bottom of this letter. Please also pray that we can find additional persons called to be part of the missionary team in Peru. Covenant with us to continue in prayer for the young adult leadership team and their continued ministry to

the spiritually lost and dying youth of Huancayo. 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 Obed Alvarez, the head of Mision-AMEN, as well as their other leaders and missionaries. Please pray for our safety as we travel, and that we will boldly speak God's Word wherever we go.

We pray that God is drawing you closer and closer to Him every day. God bless you. We love you.

Yours in Christ,

Arthur, Mary Alice,  
Joshua, Benjamin, Mary Beth

Arthur, Mary Alice, Benjamin, Joshua, and Mary Beth Ivey  
The Mission Society Missionaries to Peru

### **\*\*\* IMPORTANT NOTICE \*\*\***

We will be in the United States until late October 2005 to raise additional support in order to return for an additional 4 or 5 years to work in the ministry in Peru. We will also be using this time to recruit new missionaries for the work in Peru. If you would like to have us share with your church, Sunday school class, in your mission conference, or other group, we would love to hear from you in order to schedule a time to visit. Our U.S. contact information is at the top of this newsletter.

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