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“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.” Galatians 6:9 (NIV)

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 and pray that He has been blessing you wonderfully during this past month and that your life has been filled with His glorious riches and mercy.

We were very blessed this month to have many of our key workers in our home for a time of sharing, healing, and renewal. Pastor Beto did a fantastic job leading an advanced leadership workshop for 4 days with 21 of our key leaders. It was a very diverse group, and there were seven different language groups represented: Shipibo, Asánika, Quecha Huancavelica, Quecha Panao, Quecha Wanka, Spanish, and English. During the mornings, we praised God with a few songs, and then we studied and talked about the history of the New Testament Church. Doing inductive Bible studies in the afternoon was also very interesting. At night, we talked about how to construct healthy families, because most of the families in Peru aren't healthy families. We had plenty of time for fellowship during the week, too.

Josué Ramirez shared a great testimony about how he is learning to trust God for everything. When his wife, Bani, and he worked in Puerto Anapati, at first he always worried about money and when Jorge Ayala was coming to give them their money for their needs. Little by little, Josué learned if he trusted God and had faith, God would provide their needs. One time he felt sure that the next day that someone would offer him a small job to do, and it did happen. In addition, Josué was invited to direct children's birthday parties, and he began to become more popular doing it, and there was always a lot of food at the parties for Bani and him. Jesus provided for them in this way until Jorge would arrive.



Some of the key leaders in the Peru Ministry.

Left to right back: Darwin, Alberto, David, Jorge, Welner, Bernabé, Josué, Silvio, and Edmin
Left to Right front: Pedro, Elsa, Edith, Mercedes, Mary Alice, Maura, Elena, Bani, Olga, Alejandra, and Miqueas

Since working in Anapati, Josué, Bani and their family have returned to their people group, the Shipibo – Convio, in Pulcalpa. They had been living with Bani's parents until they heard that someone was giving away small plots of land, and the owner of the land promised Josué that he would give him this land. Bani and Josué began to clear the land, so that they could build a small house, but the next day, the owner of the land changed his mind. Josué and Bani praised Jesus and told him "Thank you" this day, because they knew they God had a better place for them. Two days after that, another person gave them a plot of land, and now they have a small house, separate from their in-laws. They have learned to be happy with what they have. When one watches Josué and Bani, one can tell that they have a very close relationship with each other and love each other, which is a great testimony for the Lord Jesus. Josue and Bani now have 46 people in the discipleship ministry among the Shipibo. Please pray that God will continue to use them in a great way as they disciple the Shipibo people in Pulcalpa.

In addition, David Vargas shared how when he was seven years old he accepted Christ. His parents weren't Christians at this time, and his father even beat him sometimes. David escaped from his house to go to the temple to learn about God, and most of the time, he only got there in time for the sermon. He went to the mission school in Lima mainly to pray for his parents, and God has changed both of

them very much. Now, David is in charge of the discipleship ministry in the VRAEM where the Ashánikas live. This work is now in four different native communities: Camantabishi, Boca Anapate, Yoyato, and Pajonal. Several strong Asháninka leaders are growing through the discipleship, and are assuming responsibility in the work. Two of them, Bernabé and Olga, participated with us in the leadership event in our home this month. Other leaders including Hilberto, Darwin, and Verna have participated in previous leadership training done in Puerto Anapati. Please continue to pray that God will use David Vargas, Julio César, Manuel, and David Cayruna to train many Ashánikas to become leaders in their own communities, and that the leaders that are emerging would continue growing and assuming more responsibility.



David Vargas (right) presenting a Proclaimer (audio Bible in Asháninka) to Aurelio, the leader of the church in Yoyato.

Jorge Ayala, who coordinates the work for us in the jungle areas and manages the farm project, began to experience abdominal pain during the medical mission in Sungaro in June. He was about to go back the farm, but instead came to our house. We took him to the clinic near our home to be examined, and the test results showed that he had three large stones in his gallbladder and several smaller ones. The gallbladder was so bad that they wanted to operate immediately, so they took out Jorge's gallbladder. He has been staying with us since that time, and he participated in the leadership event while he was here. Now he is doing much better, and he will be going back to work on the farm on August 2nd. Thank you so much for your prayers for him.

Bernabé and Olga are Asáninkas, and according to Jorge and David, they are really growing in Christ. Bernabé translates for many of the national missionaries that are leading discipleship groups. During the workshop, we learned that Olga had a big tumor in her stomach, but Bernabé and she didn't have any money to pay for the surgery to remove this tumor. Because of the gifts that you all give, she

was able to have the surgery at the same clinic where Jorge went. They removed a seven pound tumor from her abdomen. We are thankful that the tumor was benign. She is recovering in our house, and little by little is feeling better. Please pray that God will heal Olga as fast as possible. Thank you for your prayers for her, as well.



Olga, Bernabe, and Jorge.

Arthur is making corrections to the final drawings for the cacao dryer, and is also working on plans for an additional building for the farm that will house the temporary workers that will be involved in the harvesting process. Please pray that God will continue to be with Jorge Ayala, the manager of the farm, as well as the permanent workers on the farm, Lúcio and Judith, Marcos, Viviana and her two children. Pray that God will give us a great harvest of cacao, and that it will be sold for a good price, so that we can provide for the ministry from Peruvian sources.

We have also been preparing for a medical campaign that we will have in the town of Viñas in August. A team from Halltown Baptist Church in Missouri will be helping us with this event. Pray that many people will come to know the Lord during this campaign.

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 give praise to the Lord for bringing us 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. 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, Theresa Anderson, 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,

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P.S. We praise the Lord Jesus for providing through each and every one of you. In June, many of you helped us to cover part of our shortfall. Our monthly giving level is now only \$1200 below what we need to sustain the ministry here. Please pray that we can return to the necessary level in the coming months. If you feel led to help financially support the Peru ministry, you can give using the following link:

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