



# The Mission Society

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***“Are there any among you sick? They should send for the church elders, who will pray for them and rub olive oil on them in the name of the Lord. This prayer made in faith will heal the sick; the Lord will restore them to health, and the sins they have committed will be forgiven.” James 5:14-15 (Today’s English 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 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 want to give you 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 and for the ministry here. 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.

In June, we hosted a medical team from Roswell United Methodist church, led by John Pearson. They helped us to conduct a medical campaign in Tinyari, a small town close to Patarcocha, where Billy and Laurie Drum live. The American and Peruvian team, as well as the Drums and us, enjoyed working in this campaign. In the medical area, the doctors attended 560 patients, and in the optical area 266 patients were attended. In addition, 58 patients were attended in the dental area. In the spiritual area, 400 people accepted Christ, and 10 people reconciled with Christ. Praise the Lord Jesus Christ!

Mary Alice translated for Tracy Lynn, a nurse, and they had the privilege of praying for Vanessa, a young lady who is 26 years old. Her family, and especially her parents, have mistreated her very badly during her life. It was obvious that she had low self-esteem, because she spoke in a very soft, mumbling voice, and she would barely look us in the eye. She even said

that she wished Jesus would take her to heaven right then, because her life was so difficult and because she was so sad. Several members of the American and Peruvian team prayed for her, and when a few of us prayed for her again, she agreed to forgive her family. She asked God, "What is the truth about you?" He told her many beautiful things, and she began to speak much clearer and louder, and she began to smile because God was beginning to heal her. Arthur told her that God loved her several times, and when we asked her if we could pray for her the next day, she agreed and came back the following day. Rosio Carbajal, Rocio Claudio, and Mary Alice prayed with her again, and she began to smile even more. She showed us where her house is, so that Rosio Carabajal can visit her in the future, and so that we can pray with her again too. Thank you Lord Jesus for giving hope to this precious daughter of yours. Please pray that God will continue to heal Vanessa and give her hope. Also please pray that her memory will be completely restored.



Dr. Lee Dodson and the dental team treating a patient.

Because we had a lot of doctors available to see patients in the medical campaign and less patients than normal, Billy Drum was able to take some of the team members to visit some of the families who live in the area. One visit was with a 16 year old girl who had never walked and who had demonic problems. The demon in her began to attack the team, but after they rebuked

the spirit, the girl calmed down. Two members of the team were physical therapists, and after working with the girl's legs for about 20 minutes, she began to walk. God continues to do miracles among us. He is definitely alive!



Veneranda, one of our counselors, sharing the gospel with a patient.

There is a school in Patarcocha, and the teachers have always been against the Drums' work. They didn't want the children in their school to go to the Kid's Club, but during the medical campaign, they brought all of the children in the school to see the doctors, and all the teachers accepted Christ. The director of the school was a Marxist, but she even accepted Christ. Please pray that God will continue to advance his work in Patarcocha and Tinyari, and for the Drums and their ministry team as they follow up on these new believers.

Katherine Gwin, who is the daughter of James Gwin, a friend with whom we grew up, came and helped us with the ministry this month as well. She is attending Young Harris College, and is thinking about being a full time missionary one day. We enjoyed having her spend time with us. Please pray that God will continue to guide her in everything that she does.



Katherine, front left, with Mary Alice's women's group.

In addition, we had a great time praying for several women individually, and the Lord Jesus Christ moved in a great way by freeing them from many strongholds in their lives, and we are so thankful to God for that. Please pray that God will multiply our time, so that we can pray with individuals more and train others to do the same. Prayer is so powerful, and if we pray, there is nothing impossible through the Lord Jesus Christ.

We had a fun celebration in the Kid's Club one Saturday when two clowns from Karen Garcia's business, came to do a program in the Kid's Club that is held in Parque de la Juventud. (The Youth Park) They did a great job, and had everyone laughing while they were teaching them about Jesus. Karen, who attended one of the microenterprise workshops conducted by Roswell Methodist Church years ago, has started a business of having clowns do evangelical shows for birthday parties and other occasions, and she does the decorations and cooks the food. Many people in her family are involved in the business, and the Lord Jesus Christ has blessed it, and it is continuing to grow. Please pray that God will continue to protect and guide her family in the business and in everything that they do.



Lucia and Felipe sharing the Gospel through clowning at the Kid's Club.

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 continue to pray for financial support for the ministries both from Peruvian sources and U.S. sources. Please continue to be in prayer for the continued growth in the ministries here in Peru. Please continue to pray that the Holy Spirit would continue to awaken and change hearts among the people of Peru.

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 Billy and Laurie Drum, Ash and Audra McEuen, Martin and Tracy Reeves, Louise Reimer, Theresa Anderson, Tim and Jennifer Goshorn, Paul and Kelly Wiegert, and their families. All are missionaries with the Mission Society that currently or will soon be working 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 "Arthur and Mary Alice". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and personal.

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P.S. Due to the devaluation of the dollar and the growth of the ministry, we are in need of additional funding to maintain the ministry here in Peru. We are currently in need of an additional \$4000.00 per month. If you feel led to help financially support the Peru ministry, you can give using the following link that will give you different options for giving:

<http://themissionsociety.org/connect/connectmissionaries/people/ivey>,

or you may send a check made payable to "The Mission Society" to the address below with a reference on the memo line "Ivey Support 0254"

P.S.S. We will be coming home for four months starting in November of this year, in order to try to raise additional support for the ministry. If you would like for us to share about the Peru ministry with one of your church groups, Sunday school classes, or a group of friends interested in missions in your home, please don't hesitate to contact us to schedule an opportunity.

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