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***“Instead, by speaking the truth in a spirit of love, we must grow up in every way to Christ, who is the head. Under his control all the different parts of the body fit together, and the whole body is held together by every joint with which it is provided. So when each separate part works as it should, the whole body grows and builds itself up through love.”***

**Ephesians 4: 15-16 (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 had the privilege to have a team here with us from Asbury United Methodist Church in Highland Heights, Kentucky. The team was lead by Dale Mahaney, and came to assist in the construction of classrooms at the Casa de Oración Quechua church, and to work with children in one of our Kid's Clubs. It is always encouraging to see the Peruvians working together with the North Americans for Jesus Christ. Because of the testimony of the team, the church as a whole seems more unified, and we praise God for that. It was also encouraging to see Daniel Goshorn, a teenage team member, do an excellent job preaching two times in the church services. One sermon was about the necessity of the members of the church having unity in Christ. Please pray that God will continue to bring unity to the body of Christ in the Casa de Oración Quechua church. Also please pray that the children and their parents in the Kid's Club in Chilca will have a closer relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.



Asbury Team working with one of the Kid's Clubs in Chilca

A discipleship gathering was held in Villasol near Huanuco for a time of fellowship and encouragement for all those in the discipleship ministry in this area. Pablo Villogas organized the event, and Alberto and Karen participated by providing some teaching and time of encouragement. Approximately 80 persons attended the event.



Taking a break at the Villasol discipleship gathering.

Pastor Alberto, Karen, Arthur, and Mary Alice conducted another Leadership Retreat for the Discipleship Leaders in Panao. Members and pastors of three different churches participated: The Christian Missionary Alliance Church, the Assemblies of God Church, and the Peruvian Evangelical Church. As a whole, the leaders and pastors were very open to learn, and were excited about deepening their relationship with Christ and teaching others to do the same. This retreat was planned and conducted a week before the Medical Campaign that was held in Panao in July. The purpose was not only to promote and train leaders for discipleship, but to try to encourage unity between the churches.



Group from Panao Leadership Workshop.

In each retreat one night the group divides to have conversations about sexual purity; Karen and Mary Alice share with the women, and Pastor Alberto and Arthur share with the men. It is always amazing to hear the stories of some of the women. Even many of the Christian men do not love their wives the way that Jesus Christ loves the church. In Peru as a whole, three-fourths of the women are abused, either by their fathers or their husbands. Please pray for the families in Peru, so that the mothers, fathers, and children will come to know the wonderful love of the Lord Jesus Christ, so that they can glorify Him through their family. Please pray that the generational curse of family violence and violence against women will be broken. Also, please pray for healing of the hearts of the women that have been abused.

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 in the Canta Valley, Palcazu, Puerto Bermudez, Shiringamazu, Villa América, Iscosazin, Huánuco, Panao, Molinos, Ambo, Acamayo, Tinahuani, Puno, San Martín de Pango, San Ramón, and Puente Paucartambo. Also, pray for the ministries in Huancayo, especially the Friday night Prayer and evangelism ministry, the Colegio El Camino, and the Jesus Es El Maestro High School. Please continue to pray that the Holy Spirit would continue to awaken and change hearts among the young adults of Huancayo.

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 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 Billy and Laurie Drum, Ash and Audra McEuen, Martin and Tracy Reeves, Louise Reimer, and their families. All are missionaries with TMS Global that currently or will soon be working in Peru. Pray also for Obed and Cynthia Alvarez, the head of NEWMA, as well as their other leaders and national missionaries. 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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