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***“In times of trouble he will shelter me; he will keep me safe in his Temple and make me secure on a high rock. So I will triumph over my enemies around me. With shouts of joy I will offer sacrifices in his Temple; I will sing, I will praise the Lord.” Psalm 27:5-6.
(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 March, we were privileged to have 13 young people from the University of Georgia Wesley Foundation come and help us out here in Peru. Laurie and Billy Drum, who are in charge of the teams now, with the help of Audra and Ash McEuen, hosted this team. The team went to a local school for three mornings to do the chapel services and to teach English. The children were excited to have people from the states teach them English. Also, the team went on a couple of prayer walks, shared their testimonies in concerts, helped out with Kid’s Clubs in different places, and went to a small town just outside of Huancayo called Cajas, to share with some of the people that are involved in discipleship groups. We are very thankful that God used this team to reach others for Christ. Please pray that Jesus will continue to touch the hearts of the people that the team reached during their time here.



Laurie Drum and the team members praying for some of the ladies.

In the Kid's Club in Pichcus, we have begun a new reward system to motivate the children to come and to learn about Christ. We give them talents, which look like money, when they are punctual, when they bring a friend, when they sing and dance well during the praise time, when they bring their Bibles, when they can answer questions about the story for the day, and other activities. This system has worked very well. In March, we had the first market day, where the children could buy different things, and they were excited to be able to buy something with the talents that they had earned. Please pray that the children in this club and all the other Kid's Clubs will continue to grow in their relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ, and that God will provide more workers that we can train to be teachers and leaders in the Clubs.



Franklin helping with the Kid's Club Market Day

In addition, we conducted another Leadership Retreat in Panao, which is a small city in the mountains of the Pachatea region. We have approximately 400 people in discipleship in this region. Leaders from different denominations attended the training, but all were involved in discipleship. Several of the men were quite old and spoke with a Quechua accent, so it was somewhat difficult to understand what they were saying at times, but we could tell that the Holy Spirit was with us and was guiding us. Please pray that more and more people can continue to become involved in the discipleship groups in this area, and that God will continue to free people from their strongholds and form them into productive leaders for His kingdom.



Group of leaders that participated in the training in Panao.

During some of the afternoons when we were in Panao, Mary Alice taught some of the Kid's Club choreographies to the children that wanted to learn, and one evening, she taught some youth a few dances, too. There might be a possibility that in the future, we could do a Kid's Club training in Panao, if the pastors and youth demonstrate sufficient interest.

We have a praise report about Edmin and Maura León, who are national missionaries that work with us in Panao. Maura is now pregnant with their first child. We have been praying for a good while that God would bless them with a child, and we praise God that He has answered this

prayer request. Please pray that God will help their child to grow and to be healthy, and that God will help Edwin and Maura to be calm and to depend on God during the pregnancy.

Several days ago, there was a very strong storm in Iscosazin in the jungle, which is an area that we work in, and where Edwin and Haydee Gonzales are the leaders. The rain flooded most of the villages, and destroyed most of the crops and killed many of the livestock there. Please pray that God will provide the needs of these people during this difficult time, and that the people will be able to depend on God and to grow closer to Him than ever before. In addition, please pray that God will give His strength to Haydee and Edwin, because Haydee is in Lima with their new daughter, while Edwin is in Iscosazin in the jungle. Haydee gave birth to a baby girl in January, and she has to stay in Lima until their daughter is 6 months old.



Edwin, Hayde, and Ariely Adriana

In January, we were informed that the Peru ministry support would be reduced by several of our supporters. We lost almost 25% of our financial support in one month. We know times are hard economically, however you can still help us to overcome this loss and continue with the ministry here. If everyone who receives this newsletter that does not already help us financially, would consider giving \$10.00 or \$20.00 per month, we could make up this loss quickly. If we cannot replace this lost income by the end of April, we will have to begin to close some of the ministries here. It doesn't take much to help. Please consider helping us with the Peru ministry in this way. You can give by going to the following links:

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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 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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