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***“Since you have accepted Christ Jesus as Lord, live in union with him. Keep your roots deep in him, build your lives on him, and become stronger in your faith, as you were taught. And be filled with thanksgiving.”***

**Colossians 2:6 (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, Pastor Alberto, his wife, Karen, Arthur and Mary Alice went to La Merced to conduct another Leadership Retreat. It was a very good retreat with 15 leaders. Elena was a doctor that attended the group, and she gave us a very interesting perspective about physical illnesses. She said that many people that come to her for physical problems only need someone to listen to them and to care about them. When she does listen, many times God heals them. We have found that this is true during our medical campaigns, too. Many times just loving people heals them. We now have discipleship groups in San Ramon, La Merced, Puente Paucartambo and Villa Rica that were represented in this training event. Please pray that these leaders will continue to grow in Christ and if they haven’t begun their own discipleship group, that they will do so in God’s timing.



La Merced Leadership Retreat participants

Left to right back: Karen, Alberto, Alquiles, Clevis, Genaro, Johny, Arthur  
 Left to right front: Mauro, Yanita, Celinda, Sonya, Edi, Mary Alice, Paola Kneeling: Victor  
 Not Pictured: Carlos, Javier, Elena, Noemi

In addition, Arthur, Pastor Genaro Puente, and Pastor Johnny Vega finalized many details for the medical campaign that will be conducted in June in La Merced. Some of the people that will be sharing the gospel in the campaign are people that participated in the Leadership Retreat. The people in Genaro's and Johnny's discipleship's groups will be responsible for the follow-up of the people in the campaign that have accepted Christ and for the people that have interest in knowing more about Christ. Please pray that God will fill each of these people with the Holy Spirit as they do the discipleship. Also, please pray that God will help each Peruvian and American involved in the campaign to do their very best in the area where they will be working.

The discipleship ministry is continuing to grow. During the first three months of this year 300 more people began participating in this ministry, bringing us to a little more than 3800 participants. We praise God for how He is calling more and more people to be involved in this ministry, to grow in their relationship with Him, and to lead others into His Kingdom.

Also in March, a team from Covenant Methodist Church came and mainly worked with Ash and Audra McEuen in the library. They did go to the discipleship group that Arthur and Willy

have with the Shoeshine boys, and they attended and prayed with us in the Thursday night prayer meeting. One day they visited the Drums' ministry in Iscos, Tinyari, and Patarcocha. They all had copies of their testimonies in Spanish with their pictures on them, and they handed these out to many people. They said that they felt that many people were touched by these testimonies. We praise God for sending them and for using them to reach others for Christ.



Arthur, Willy, and the Covenant Team with the Shoeshine Boys.

We are very thankful that Rocio Claudio returned to Peru. She is one of our Kid's Club's teachers in Pichcus, and she went to Indiana as an exchange student for 3 months. She worked in the Marriott Hotel, and had a good experience. She was able to have an influence for Christ among her coworkers, some of whom were from Peru and others from other parts of the world. Her classes at the university have started, and her major is nursing. Please pray that God will continue to fill her and use her to advance his Kingdom.



Rocio

Milca, one of our discipleship leaders and prayer warriors, is still in Uruguay, and is having an influence for Christ in the lives of her boss and his family, as well as through some of her friendships. Alejandra will be traveling to Bolivia in April to care for her daughter, Thalia, as she gives birth to her second child and to help with the discipleship group there during Thalia's recovery.



Milca



Left to right: Lisbeth, Thalia, Lensey, and Alejandra

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. Please pray for the leaders of the different ministries and 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, Tim and Jennifer Goshorn, and their families. All are missionaries with TMS Global 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,

*Arthur, Mary Alice,  
Joshua, Benjamin, Mary Beth*

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Missionaries to Peru

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