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***“I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.” John 15:5 (New International 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 returned to Peru March 3<sup>rd</sup> with the Goshorn family, who will be working as full time missionaries in Peru with us. In the past, Tim and Jennifer came to Peru a couple of times with their sons, Daniel and Matthew, and their daughter, Katherine, on short term mission trips, and now God has called them to come work here full time. While they were looking for a house to



The Goshorns: Daniel, Katherine, Matthew, Jennifer and Tim

rent, we enjoyed having them stay with us. Jennifer and Mary Alice took turns cooking. It reminded us of when we arrived in Peru thirteen years ago with our family. The Goshorns did find a house to rent, and Matthew and Katherine are attending school at the Colegio El Camino, where our children went years ago. Daniel is already teaching English once a week with 3, 4, and 5 year olds. Please pray that God will help them adjust to the culture and learn Spanish.

The first part of March, Arthur and Mary Alice caught up with some of the work that we weren't able to do while we were in the U.S. It is so good to be back at our home in Peru. Also, we began our normal activities of evangelism, prayer night, open Bible study, and choreography practice.

Pastor Beto and his wife, Karen, conducted a leadership workshop in Huari, and Beto told us that the entire workshop went very well. There were sixteen leaders that attended, some of whom were pastors. Karen said that the ladies really liked the teaching on sexual purity, and they even asked her to share about it in a future conference, but she didn't feel like that God wanted her to do it right now. Please pray that God will continue to encourage these participants to learn deeply about God's Word and to share it with others. We missed being a part of this event, but we are encouraged that our presence was not necessary for its success.



Workshop participants (left to right): Jorge, Edwin, Eniada, Mary, Karen, Cesar, Juan, Marcos, Jose, Pablo, Miguel, Eugenio, Luz, Ruth, Fernando, and Milagros

We also had the privilege of hosting a team from Stonebridge Church, which is in Marietta, Georgia. Dick and Celia Wannall, Richard and Becky Bly, and Richard and Lucy Fowler, came

to encourage our key leaders in discipleship. We have known the Blys and the Wannalls for years, so it was great to have them come. The team taught a course by International Leadership Institute, and our key leaders evaluated the course to see if it would be valuable for us to use in some way in the ministry. They taught sessions on intimacy with God, a passion for the harvest, Biblical leadership, the power of having a vision and setting goals to carry out that vision, mobilizing people for the ministry, overcoming obstacles in the ministry, evangelism, mentoring, the priority of the family, faithful stewardship, and integrity. The team did a great job teaching the material, and they added their own testimonies and Bible verses to encourage our leaders. They especially emphasized the importance of having an intimate relationship with God; of course, if we don't have that, we can do nothing for Christ. We are so thankful to God that they came and encouraged all of us. We always enjoy meeting with our key leaders twice a year. They are very strong and faithful workers for the Lord Jesus Christ, and we are so thankful to God for them.



Arthur translating for Richard Bly.

In spite of the heavy rains and adverse working conditions, the farm is progressing. We have now cleared an additional two hectares of older cacao left by the previous owner and rejuvenated it. It will begin to produce much sooner than the new plants. We have an additional 3000 new plants in the green house to be used to replace any of the new plants that don't survive. We will

also be planting beans and soybeans that will bring in some income while we are waiting on the new cacao to produce.



Carmen, Luis's wife, working on the restoration of the old cacao.

The road to the farm is still in very bad condition, and the rainy season did not help that. The municipality was supposed to start maintenance work this month and will hopefully resume construction in May. Please be in prayer for the improvements and completion of the road and for the farm project. Please pray especially for Luis as he continues to seek reliable workers and direct this project.

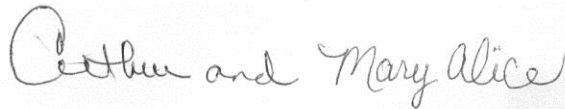
One of our workers who worked with us in the past is having some marriage problems. His wife has asked him for a divorce. We were able to pray for the young man, but his wife didn't want prayer. We would prefer to keep their names confidential, but please lift them to the Lord, so that God will restore their marriage.

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 Ash and Audra McEuen, Martin and Tracy Reeves, Louise Reimer, Theresa Anderson, Tim and Jennifer Goshorn, Paul and Kelly Wiegert, Bryan and Jessica Monda, and their families. All are missionaries with TMS Global that currently 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,



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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 \$2000.00 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:

<https://tms-global.org/give>

For giving Missionary support please use the "Give to Worker, Partner of Project" form and specify the 4 digit code 0254 or the name, "Arthur Ivey".

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