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“I will sing of the Lord’s great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations. I will declare that your love stands firm forever, that you have established your faithfulness in heaven itself.” Psalm 89:1-2 (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 that the Lord Jesus has been blessing you wonderfully during this past month, and that your life has been filled with His glorious riches and mercy. We are so thankful to God for you.

God continues to be faithful to the ministry here in Peru. During this time of the global pandemic and the subsequent quarantines, we have seen the Lord Jesus work through the Peruvian people to keep the ministry in the path He laid out for it, that is moving from dependence on outside missionaries and sources to dependence only on Jesus Christ. Alberto, Pedro, and Darwin have become the new face of the ministry here in Peru in place of Arthur and Mary Alice. We now support these leaders from behind the scenes as they continue to expand the Kingdom of Jesus Christ here. It is very exciting to see them work and hear their many reports on how Jesus is moving. I wish we could share them all here with you, but it would take volumes, so we will try to give you a taste.

Alberto and several of the leaders have been preparing daily devotionals that are distributed to an ever growing list. Many of the people now receiving the devotionals are unknown to us, but are responding by requesting to talk to someone about a relationship with Jesus. Many others are requesting to be added to the list, and many of those who are receiving the devotionals are sharing with others. We know that the devotionals are being used, not only in Peru, but in the United States, Italy, Spain and the Ukraine. The number currently on the distribution list is 447, and we know it goes beyond that number.



Alberto

Over the past several years as part of the transition to a totally Peruvian ministry we have been shifting the teaching used in discipleship to an Inductive Bible Study model. This method eliminates substantial costs and makes participation easier, as almost everyone has a Bible. In most cases the Bibles are in pristine condition from lack of use, however, we hope to change that. Alberto has been revising and improving the teaching notes on Inductive Bible Study, so that many of the leaders have this resource to help them and to help them teach others. Alberto is holding weekly Bible studies in small groups electronically with five groups, two advanced, one intermediate, and two basic. These groups currently include approximately 76 people, and continue to grow. There are seven of the leaders that are in the advanced group that are repeating the study each week in their own groups. These leaders are sharing the Word with approximately 58 other people in seven different groups.



Leaders that are guiding additional groups in Inductive Bible Study.

Just to give you a taste of what is happening in these groups, we want to share about Marita. Marita participates in one of Alberto's groups, and she continues to invite others to participate. She invited Cecilia, who lives in Florida, USA. Cecilia grew up in a Catholic Church and says she never knew Jesus nor studied her Bible. Through her participation in the Bible study she gave her life to Christ and says she now reads her Bible and her faith is coming to life. Cecilia shared with a friend Elvira, who lives in Lima, and Elvira started participating in the Bible study. Elvira has a similar background as Cecilia and as a result of her participation she also gave her life to Christ.

Marita works as a teacher, and she has been sharing with one of her colleagues. Many of her colleague's family members apparently practice witchcraft including her parents. Her colleague admitted that she sometimes participates with them. Recently Marita shared about Christ with her colleague, and she accepted Jesus. Her colleague has expressed a great interest in being in part of a small group, so we hope that this week she can participate in one of Alberto's discipleship groups that are online.

The prayer ministry continues to grow, as well. We now have approximately 82 people who receive the prayer guide each week and who pray for the request along with their families. We understand that many of these people pass on the prayer guide to others that they know. People in many places throughout Peru, in Cartagena, Columbia, and Connecticut, USA are praying each week.

The Lord Jesus has continued to provide the needs for us and for the workers during the quarantine. When the families or neighbors near the workers need help with food, they have found ways to acquire the resources to meet these needs on their own. Fortunately, we have been blessed to be able to help several families that need medicines, since there are medicines left over from previous medical campaigns, and to date, two of the teams for this year have been canceled. So, the medicines that will expire have been available for distribution to those in need. We are blessed to have several Peruvian pharmacists and medical personnel that are part of the ministry team that have been helping with this.

Daniel Rojas, a long time brother in Christ, has joined the team in Pachacutec where the farm is located. He, his wife, Milena, and their family relocated to San Martin de Pangoa, where she has family, last year. Daniel spends time working from the farm with discipleship groups that meet on the farm, in the community of Pachacutec and in the nearby community of Saigon. He is also working to develop other groups in the area.



Daniel in front with the group that meets on the farm.

Left to right: Luciana, Daniela, Marcos, Judith, Marcela, Marita, Lucio, Edgar, Lizeth, William, and their daughter, and Carlos. Not pictured is Viviana.

Just to let you know, our quarantine has been extended to June 30th. The restrictions are a little more flexible now, because we can go out to exercise, and the curfew has been changed until 9:00 p.m. Little by little, a few businesses are opening up. A few restaurants are offering take-out meals.

Because of the quarantine, we have been unable to mail our written thank you notes to those that support the Peru ministry. The post office has been closed since March 15th and still has no definite opening date. We do deeply appreciate all that you do for us, and we are thankful to God for each of you!

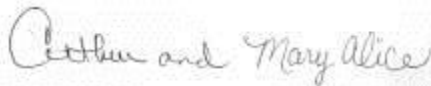
We would appreciate it if you would pray for these requests for June:

1. Please pray that God will give people peace during the quarantines, that He will stop the corona virus in His timing, and that He will give His comfort to those that have lost loved ones.
2. Please pray that God will give us a great harvest of chocolate beans and coffee and that transportation will be restored.
3. Please pray that the key leaders will work together in unity and make decisions about the mission that are in God's will.
5. Please pray that God will keep us healthy and lift the quarantine soon.
6. Please pray that God will heal Valentino, a pastor that works with us and lives in La Merced, Cintia's parents (She is a pharmacist that has works with us), her grandparents, and her brother, Juan. They all are suffering with the corona virus as soon as possible.
7. Please pray that the post office will open up as soon as possible, so that we can send and receive mail.

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 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 Martin and Tracy Reeves, Paul and Kelly Wiegert, Tim and Jennifer Goshorn, and their families. All are missionaries with TMS Global that currently work 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. We praise the Lord Jesus for providing through each and every one of you during the year. As you may be aware, we are responsible for raising not only our own support, but the funds necessary to support the entire ministry here in Peru. Our giving has been down slightly, but due to the quarantine here, so are our costs. We are now working on our budget for the Peru ministry in Peru for 2020 which is \$105,700. Thanks to your generous gifts, we have received 26% of this need. Any financial help you could give us, either in a onetime gift or monthly support, would be appreciated. Monthly gifts of \$50.00, \$100.00, or more are very helpful. Really, no amount is too small. Please pray that we can raise the necessary level so we don't have to reduce the ministries in the future. If you feel led to help financially support the Peru ministry, you can give using the following link:

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