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***“But you, dear friends, by building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in God’s love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life.” Jude 20-21 (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 hope that everyone had a nice Thanksgiving. We are so thankful for each one of you who prays for us and supports us, for our family, for the Peruvians that work with us, for the Peruvians that we are able to encourage and teach about the Lord Jesus Christ, and most of all, for Jesus Christ, who gave everything so that we can have an intimate relationship with God. Nothing could replace that!

During November, we continued with our weekly ministries. Arthur’s Friday night discipleship group is going well. When we have to leave Huancayo to conduct leadership workshops, several Peruvians have been teaching in our absence. So far Cecilia, Jhomora, and Rocio have led the group. This encourages us a lot because as other people teach they grow quickly and are more likely to teach others. It also means that the group does not depend on our presence. This is very positive since we have to travel a lot for other aspects of the ministry.

Pastor Beto, his wife Karen, Edmin León, his wife Maura, Arthur, and Mary Alice conducted a basic leadership workshop in Arequipa. At first the participants were very distant and didn’t want to share much with us, but little by little they began to open up. We feel like only two or three of them actually grasped the concept of discipleship, but that is enough. This is something that our statistics seem to show as well. By the end of this year, we will have trained over 850

people in leadership workshops, but only about 265 that we know of are actively discipling others in small groups. Please pray that each person will grow closer to Christ and that one day they will begin to understand and disciple at least one other person or a small group.



Arthur, Mary Alice, and Maura (beside Mary Alice) during leadership workshop in Arequipa.

The Lord Jesus continues to bless the ministry here. As of the end of the month, we have approximately 7940 people participating in discipleship. They meet in eleven of the 24 different departments in Peru in approximately 530 small groups or home churches. We are also blessed that our regional leaders are working together to develop long term plans for the future of the ministry and to be trained to take on responsibility for training other leaders. If we had enough leaders willing and able to teach other leaders, we could easily triple the number of leadership training events we have each year.

We are so excited that Mary Beth, Oscar, Dominic, and Royce are here with us in Peru. They arrived in Lima on November 27th and will stay with us about a month and a half. Dominic and Royce will celebrate their birthdays in December with us, as well as Christmas. Joshua will be coming to Peru around the middle of December, too. We are so thankful to the Lord Jesus Christ for letting us spend some time with most of our family.



Dominic, Mary Alice, Royce and Mary Beth

Another special part of our family is our dog, Angel. We would appreciate your prayers for her, because she is limping very badly. The vet said that her wrists were inflamed, and he gave her some medicine to help her joints get stronger. Please pray that God will heal her as fast as possible. She was doing well, was enjoying taking a walk every day, and was losing a little weight, but we have stopped walking with her until she gets better.

The farm project is moving steadily moving forward. It has finally started to rain again, and we can now graft the remaining plants. The grafting process is scheduled to start in mid-December. Approximately 30% of the cacao should start producing in the next few months. We expect the production to increase throughout the next year and for the plants that are being grafted now to start producing early in 2017. The land and the coffee plants are ready for transplanting to the field. This work will begin in mid-December as well. Work on the road to the farm is progressing, as well. Please pray that it will be able to continue through the rainy season. Arthur and Moisés have just about completed the prototype dryer for the chocolate beans. Arthur will now be preparing the plans and specifications for the final design of the dryer, so construction of production models can begin.



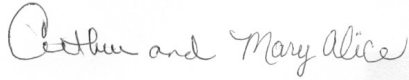
Jorge and the transplant contractors examining the coffee plants.

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 Martin and Tracy Reeves, Louise Reimer, Theresa Anderson, Tim and Jennifer Goshorn, Paul and Kelly Wiegert, and their families. All are missionaries with the Mission Society 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. We reached the monthly giving level that we need right now to sustain the ministry here. Please pray that we can maintain this level through the coming months. If you feel led to help financially support the Peru ministry, you can give using the following link:

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