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“I have complete confidence in the gospel; it is God’s power to save all who believe, first the Jews and also the Gentiles.” Romans 1:16 (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.

The Lord Jesus Christ blessed us very much in the month of September, as He always does. First of all, we began evangelism training with 2 classes of 4 people. They are learning a gospel presentation that explains the basic principles of the gospel that are supported by Bible verses and illustrations. Each week we go out to the streets and to the parks to share the good news of the Lord Jesus Christ. We have just gone out for 3 weeks, and already 31 people have given their lives to the Lord Jesus Christ. We praise God for what He is doing in the hearts of people in Huancayo and all over Peru. Please pray for boldness and wisdom from the Holy Spirit for these evangelism participants-Alejandra, Kelley, Rita, Willy, Rubén, Sofia, Morayma, and Edith. Also, please pray that many people will come to know the Lord Jesus Christ and will continue to grow in Him.



Rita and Mary Alice sharing the Gospel.

God did something very special this month for us. He has called Ivan Cruz, a youth that worked with us in the past, to work with us in missions. Ivan is very interested in working in the area of evangelism. He is especially helping us with the follow up of people that we have talked with in the parks. The place where we meet on Fridays to worship is called La Estación. (The Station) Thanks to Ivan La Estación now has an e-mail and a website. Youth or other people that have questions or need counseling can e-mail this address. The e-mail address is la_estacion_01@hotmail.com. The website address is www.laestacion01.spaces.live.com. Please pray that God will use Ivan in a mighty way and that He will show Ivan what His Will is for him. Also, pray for wisdom for him and for us as we work on a follow up plan for the new Christians.

Pastor Beto and Arthur led a leadership retreat in Puerto Bermudez. There were 13 participants in all from Puerto Bermudez and Palcazu. The Lord moved in a mighty way in these people freeing them from spiritual strongholds in their lives. One man, Gilberto, brought one of his friends, Nestor, an alcoholic, with him, and Nestor gave his life to Jesus. Flor, the wife of Mario Sillo, who was killed last month, participated in the retreat, and is doing great. The Lord is giving her strength and boldness to share His Word, and the church in Palcazu is growing. Please pray that all of these people will continue to grow in the Lord Jesus, and will be able to become more involved in discipleship and eventually even train others.



Flor, wife of Mario Sillo

During this retreat, we had a visit from Tito and Mari, a couple that was baptized in Puerto Bermudez last year when we were there with the Praise Band. They were participating in a discipleship group, but will be moving to Oxapampa because of their job. For some time, Arthur and Pastor Beto have been praying about beginning the discipleship ministry in Oxapampa, but they didn't have a contact. Now, hopefully, Tito and Mari can begin a discipleship group there. Please pray that God will help them with this, if it is His Will.

The last day of the retreat, Mary Alice led a Kid's Club workshop for the 13 participants in the retreat and for 5 of the teachers from the school where Pablo Paredes' wife, Floria, is the director. In the afternoon, they led a Kid's Club where 135 kids participated. The teachers are possibly interested in having a Kid's Club every week, even though the school is not Christian. Please pray that God will work everything out so that they can begin a Kid's Club.



Kid's Club in Puerto Bermudez

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 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 God is drawing you closer and closer to Him every day. God bless you. We love you.

Yours in Christ,

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