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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 September, 16 members of Dalton First United Methodist Church came to Peru to help us with a medical campaign in Iscosazin, a small town deep in the jungle. The medical campaign lasted for 3 days, and there were 1008 people who received attention, 182 professions of faith in Jesus Christ, and 25 persons who reconciled their lives to Jesus Christ. The people were able to choose to see a doctor or a dentist, or were able to receive glasses if they needed them. As a whole, the campaign went really smooth, in spite of the fact that the electricity kept going out in the town. We were blessed to be able to use a generator at the medical campaign site and at the hotel where we stayed. This trip Luis Lermo, the mechanic that works on our truck, went with us. Going to Iscosazin was no problem, but we did have some minor problems with the truck on the way home, and we really appreciated Luis’s help.



Medical team from Dalton United Methodist Church in Lima.

As always, it was a blessing to see how God used the people in the spiritual area during the campaign. The majority of these men were participants in the Leadership Retreat from 2007, and after that event, God changed them to be faithful husbands who care for their families instead of being like some Peruvian men who many times abuse their wives and children and don't provide for their families' needs. They really seemed to enjoy sharing with the people about Jesus. Please pray that the people that accepted Christ and those that were reconciled to Him will form an intimate relationship with Him, and that these workers will be able to follow up on and disciple these new believers. Also please pray for those that didn't accept Christ, that the Holy Spirit will touch them so that they can know Christ.



José sharing the Gospel with a patient.

The work in Isocsazin began in 2006, after we had a medical campaign in Shiringamazu. Edwin Gonzales and his wife, Haydee Mayhuire are the leaders in this area. Students that are studying in EMLA, a missionary training school in Lima, go to this area to work with us to get their practical experience using what they learned. Also, if they haven't had any experience with the Discipleship ministry, they are taught how to lead me mentors. In addition, they work with children in the different areas, using some of the Kid's Club techniques. There are normally 2 groups of these missionaries that work in 2 zones. The first zone is Shiringamazu, in which there are 5 small house churches. The second zone is Villa America, in which there are 7 small house churches. According to Edwin, the church called Santa Rosa de Chuchuras is the church that is the most faithful and that is really growing. When Edwin and Hayde began working with this church, they had some problems in leadership and some problems with traditions, but now they don't have these problems, and there are some strong leaders that are capable of ministering to others. Also, some of the people in this church have been train as teachers to work in Sunday School and to do Kid's Clubs. Please continue to pray that these people can continue to grow and can continue to be strong and faithful in all that they do for the Lord Jesus. In addition, please continue to pray for wisdom and strength for Edwin and Hayde as they lead the work there. In January, they are expecting their first child. Hayde is a little weak; therefore, she has to stay in Lima until their baby is born. Edwin goes to visit her some, but it is still hard for them to be separated for so long.



Left to Right: Edwin and Hayde, Genaro, and Jhonatan

Billy and Laurie Drum have begun a special school and Kid's Club in Iscos, which is a very small town outside of Huancayo. Some of their teachers and some of the teachers in Compassion, a ministry for the children in the Casa de Oración Quechua church, have been coming to learn and practice the Kid's Clubs' dances with Mary Alice. She has really enjoyed it. Please pray that God will provide more teachers to work in the Kid's Clubs, and that God will give us the opportunity to open new clubs.

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 in the Canta Valley, Palcazu, Puerto Bermudez, Shiringamazu, Villa América, Iscosazin, Huánuco, Panao, Molinos, Ambo, Acamayo, Tinahuani, Puno, San Martín de Pango, San Ramón, and Puente Paucartambo. Also, pray for the ministries in Huancayo, especially the Friday night Prayer and evangelism ministry, the Colegio El Camino and the Jesus Es El Maestro High School. Please continue to pray that the Holy Spirit would continue to awaken and change hearts among the young adults of Huancayo.

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 Billy and Laurie Drum, Ash and Audra McEuen, Martin and Tracy Reeves, Louise Reimer, and their families. All are missionaries with TMS Global that currently or will soon be working in Peru. Pray also 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 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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