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*“There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.”*

**1 Corinthians 12: 4-6 (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.

Many of you who have come on teams to Peru have met our sweet dog, Angel, who lived with us in Peru and was sixteen years old. Her health was getting worse and worse, and she was really suffering. As a result, we felt like God wanted us to have Angel put to sleep, so September 14<sup>th</sup>, Mary Alice took her to the vet, and she was put to sleep. It was very hard for Mary Alice to do this, but at least Angel is not suffering anymore. She was buried in a pet cemetery in Jauja, which is an hour from Huancayo. We are very thankful to God for the wonderful sixteen years that we had with her. She was a wonderful dog, and she will be greatly missed.

On September 21<sup>st</sup>, we traveled to the farm with Ivan Cruz and Saúl Tapia to finish the second phase of the bathrooms and showers. On this trip, the work was more detailed and tedious, including things like cutting and putting up all the steel studs, attaching the cement boards to them, putting the roof on, cutting, fitting, and attaching the ceramic tiles on the floor and walls, filling the tiles in with grout, putting in the plumbing system for the bathrooms, and painting the outside of the bathrooms and showers. Two bathrooms and one shower were completed. The other shower will be finished another time, but the work probably won't take more than three or four days. We praise God that He gave strength and wisdom to everyone, so that the majority of the work was finished.



Left: Bathroom exterior

Right: One of the finished bathroom stalls

In addition, Arthur, Ivan, and Saúl brought a refrigerator for the farm team, and installed additional solar capacity to support it. The farm team loved the refrigerator, and loved drinking cold water, yogurt, and sodas, as well as eating jello and chupetes, which are frozen fruit juices with milk.

For this project, everyone worked together using the gifts and talents that God has given them. For example, it was very hard for Ivan and Saúl to put the roof on, so Jorge and Lúcio completed it without any problem. Arthur and the boys needed some help with the construction work, so Jorge and Marcos helped them instead of doing their normal work for a few days. Marita, Lúcio's wife, was in charge of cooking the meals, and Lúcio's niece, Sephora, and Jennifer, Jorge's wife, helped a good bit with the cooking, while Mary Alice helped more with washing the dishes.

A couple of nights Ivan read the "Welcome to Your New Life Booklet" with Lúcio, Marita, and their two daughters, Marcela and Luciana. The book is a short gospel presentation, and Praise the Lord that Marcela and Luciana accepted Christ! Please pray that God will continue to move in the hearts of all the people that live on the farm, as well as in the hearts of all the people that live in Pachucotec.

Mary Alice was able to teach English four days at the school with first through sixth graders. It was quite a challenge, because the children didn't read very well. She didn't get to teach as much as she wanted, because the children had another two week vacation. She did enjoy teaching the girls how to play kickball, and personally reading several good books during that time. Also, she enjoyed meeting and getting to know Jennifer, Jorge's wife, and Edson, their two year old son. Jennifer has just finished getting her nursing degree, but she still has to write her thesis.



Students and teacher at the school in Pachacutec.

During our time at the farm, Beto continued to conduct his discipleship groups online and continued to go to Pampas Ocopilla for an in person discipleship group. Jusarely Daga Quispe is a young lady that actively participates in the Pampas Ocopilla group. She grew up in a Christian home and went to a local church. Since she was six years old, she suffered from a respiratory illness; when she just had a cold, she couldn't breathe, and her parents had to take her to the emergency room. At this time, her parents separated. She is so thankful to God because one day when Pedro Duran, who was leading the group, prayed for her. God healed her from this sickness, and she has remained healthy since that time. An important scripture to her is what Paul wrote: "We can do all things in Christ who gives us strength."

Beto had the privilege of conducting a three day discipleship leader workshop in Huancavelica, where Antonella has two discipleship groups with youth. The youth were very receptive, and the workshop went really well.

### **Prayer Requests for October/November**

1. Please pray that God will heal Darwin Dávila, his sister, and his brother, who all have Covid. Darwin seems to be recovering well, but his sister and brother are still in the hospital.
2. Please pray for Jorge and Jennifer, his wife, who live at the farm. At the end of October, they will be traveling to San Martín de Pangoa with their son, Edson, to wait on their second baby's birth. Jennifer is scheduled to have a C-section at the end of November. Please pray that it will go well and that the baby will be healthy.



Jorge, Edson, and Jennifer helping Manual sort cacao beans.

3. Please pray that we will have enough time to be able to prepare well for our trip to the states.
4. Please pray that God will continue to work through our discipleship leaders as they lead others in having a more intimate relationship with Christ.
5. Please pray that God will heal Arthur's right knee. It has really been hurting a lot, since he has been working on the farm.
6. Please pray that God will give strength to Lúcio, Marcos, Jorge, and Manuel. They have cleared four hectares to plant bananas on the farm, and they are now working on planting the trees.

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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TMS Global Missionaries to Peru

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. We are now working on raising funds for

the Peru portion of the ministry for 2021 which is \$69,000. Thanks to your generous gifts, we have received 100% of this need. We now need to start raising funds for 2022 which will be the same amount as the 2021 budget. 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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