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“Your constant love is better than life itself, and so I will praise you. I will give you thanks as long as I live; I will raise my hands to you in prayer. My soul will feast and be satisfied, and I will sing glad songs of praise to you.” Psalm 63: 3-5 (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.

During November, Arthur and Pastor Alberto held our 19th leadership workshop. To date we have trained 149 people as discipleship group mentors. We still have much greater demand to open new groups than we have mentors available to lead them since many of our mentors lead several groups. As of the end of October we had 216 groups, but we have opened a few more this month. Please pray for the Lord Jesus to send more workers for the harvest, and to give Arthur and Alberto wisdom and time to train more mentors. Please also pray for the participants that God will help those who have not begun discipleship groups to be able to begin one, and that God would give them His wisdom.



Prayer time during the leadership workshop.

Arthur and Mary Alice took a vacation for 15 days in November. We went to Colca Canyon in southern Peru, which is the third deepest canyon in the world, and spent several days in Yanque, a small town about four hours from Arequipa. It was a very tranquil place, and we enjoyed resting, spending time together, and spending time with God. One day we rode horses in part of the canyon, which was really fun. Also, a couple of days we hiked in different places in the canyon, and took a dip in some hot springs. It is amazing how beautiful God has made each place in the world.



Mary Alice in Colca Canyon

After leaving Yanque, we traveled to Arequipa, which is the 2nd largest city in Peru, but we felt like we were in a different country. The city was very clean and very organized. The drivers

in cars actually obeyed the traffic signals. The people were very friendly, and by talking with some of the people we learned that the people of Arequipa were not affected by the Shining Path, the terrorist group that killed and tortured many people in Peru in the war of 1980-1995. We feel like the influence of the Shining Path may well be why the people of Huancayo and other parts of the country where we work don't trust anyone and are not so very friendly to others.



Arthur on the "Altiplano" between Arequipa and the Colca Canyon at 16,000 feet

We enjoyed having time to watch training DVD's for the Sozo prayer ministry. By watching the Sozo DVD's, we learned that the soldiers in the U.S. that fought in Vietnam had several curses placed on them, and it made us realize that something similar may be at work where we are ministering. We are interested in trying to find out if something similar was done by the Shining Path against the Peruvians, so we can pray specifically against these curses, and bring spiritual freedom to the people we work with. Please pray for God's guidance as we seek to find out this important information.

After spending time in Arequipa, we stayed a few days in Lima, and Arthur bought a compressor for the bottle making machine, and found other parts that he needed for the machine. Very soon, the compressor should arrive to our house. Also, we spent time resting and relaxing in Lima. We praise God that he gave us time to have a vacation, and we feel more rested and ready to begin the ministry again.

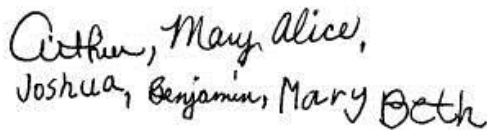
Mary Alice's mother, who had surgery to have a tumor removed from her lung, is doing a little better, but her recovery has been kind of hard for her. She is continuing to do some rehabilitation exercises, so that her lung will return to normal. Her birthday was November 29th. Please pray that God will continue to heal her and give her more strength each day.

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 here in Peru. Please continue to pray that the Holy Spirit would continue to awaken and change hearts among the people of Peru.

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, Tim and Jennifer Goshorn, and their families. All are missionaries with TMS Global that currently or will soon be working in Peru. Please pray for our safety as we travel, and that we will boldly speak God's Word wherever we go.

We hope and pray that you have a wonderful Christmas, and that you can experience the love of Jesus like you have never experienced before, and that Jesus will continue to give you hope to live each day for Him. We also pray that God is drawing you closer and closer to Him every day. God bless you. We love you. Have a Merry Christmas!

Yours in Christ,



Arthur, Mary Alice, Benjamin, Joshua, and Mary Beth Ivey
Missionaries to Peru

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