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“When you enter a house, first say, “Peace to this house”. If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you. Stay there, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages”. Luke 10:5-7a. (NIV)

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 let you know that we will be in the States from December 16, 2016 to April 3, 2017 for a period of Homeland Ministry. As the Apostle Paul returned to Antioch to share what Jesus was doing in the mission field, we too, want to share with those at home. This will be a time when we hope to share about what Jesus is doing in Peru to encourage those that are supporting us in prayer and financially. We also hope to expand our support team to help with the growing ministry here in Peru. If you would like for us to visit and share with you, please let us know so we can schedule a time with you. If you know of others that are not part of the team, but might be interested in joining with us, please feel free to invite them to our time or let us know and we will contact them directly.

We very much enjoyed the month of October and were very blessed by Jesus. Pastor Beto, Arthur, and Mary Alice led a basic level workshop for three days in Tocache in the jungle. The pastor of the church and three youth were especially interested in the study, and we praise God for that. During the workshop Adler, a young adult man, forgave his father because he abandoned the family when Adler was a baby. Also, Pamela, the children’s director in the church, wanted to have the Kid’s Club lessons and the DVD of the Kid’s Club dances to use with the children in the church. Please pray that God will continue to work in the participants’ hearts, so that they will grow in their relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.



Workshop participants: (Left to right back) Beto, Rogelio, Adler, Dimas, Jorge, and Hugo
(left to right front) Arthur, Mary Alice, Dina, Libania, Carlota, Pamela, Marino

Arthur and Mary Alice were privileged to attend and be the witnesses and godparents for the wedding of David Goya and Jhovana Inga in Puerto Anapati. This couple was the first family to open their home to our national missionaries and be disciplined by them. They have always served us by cooking for everyone during the medical campaigns and leadership workshops. We consider them as our “persons of peace” in this community. Jorge Ayala led David to Jesus Christ, and David Vargas evangelized Jhovana. David and Jhovana have lived together for years and have four daughters, but the Holy Spirit laid it on their hearts to get formally married. In Peru, to be legally married, couples have to have a civil wedding; they can have a religious wedding if they want to, but it isn’t necessary. David and Jhovana felt that God wanted them to do both of them.



Mary Alice, David, Jhovana, and Arthur at the wedding reception.

The wedding was so much fun! The whole community was involved and helped prepare for this celebration by helping to cook food and to decorate the church and the reception area. The ceremony was in a small church building in the community, and after that, the reception was outside at the soccer court. Josué Ramirez did a great job playing the keyboard and singing. David Vargas sang very well too. Jorge Ayala was the master of ceremonies. After all 300 people ate lunch, there was an opportunity for people to dance to the music. Because most people didn't know how to dance, they just ran around in a circle to the music. Last of all, those who wanted to could participate in two games. It was a good opportunity to witness to the nonbelievers in the community. Please pray that Jesus will continue to use David and Jhovana to advance God's Kingdom in Puerto Anapati and the surrounding Asháninka communities. Also continue to pray for David Vargas and Manuel Nuñez who are carrying on the discipleship ministry in the Asháninka communities at this time.

The road from San Martin de Pangoa to Puerto Anapati is open for travel in four-wheel drive trucks. This road goes through the farm project. The first 50 kilometers has been significantly improved with bridges and a good gravel base. The remaining road is open but still lacks improvement. From the end of the current improvements to the farm is another 35 kilometers and to Puerto Anapati 75 kilometers. Work on the road is on-going, and in a meeting in Puerto Anapati the company doing the work promised to have underdrains, side channels, and stabilized base on the entire road to Puerto Anapati by the end of December. The work still has to survive the rainy season, but we have significant hope that the road will be completed, bridges and all, to Puerto Anapati by the end of 2017.

After staying in Puerto Anapati for the wedding, Mary Alice, Arthur, and Jorge returned to the farm for several days. It was very good to be able to visit with the farm team for a few days, and to see how well the cocoa and coffee are advancing. Arthur also inspected the building work that Moises had done in September. Jorge and the farm team are doing a great job! Please pray that God will continue to use Lúcio, Judith, Jackson, Jorge, and Marcos to take good care of the cocoa and coffee. There should be a small harvest of cocoa in January 2017 with increasing amounts in July 2017.



Current farm team (left to right): Judith, Lucio Sr., Marcos, Jackson, and Jorge

Jorge taught the first class on Discipleship in the mission school in (EMLA) this month, and it was very well received. Josué Ramirez is going to have an opportunity to teach about discipleship in a Bible Institute in Pullcalpa, soon. Several pastors that work with us have told us that they didn't learn anything about discipleship during their seminary training. Please pray that God will continue to use Jorge and Josué in a great way to encourage the students to really study the Bible in small groups and apply it to their lives, and to equip them to do the same for other people.



Manuel, David, Josué, and Bani

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, Theresa Anderson, 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,

Arthur and Mary Alice

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P.S. We praise the Lord Jesus for providing through each and every one of you. Our monthly giving level is better, but is still approximately \$1500.00 per month below what we need to sustain the ministry here. Please pray that we can return to the necessary level in 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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