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IN AREQUIPA, PERU**

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**READ THIS LETTER
AND PRAY!**



OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

Although we were not able to get a newsletter out last month, we have been busy getting new opportunities for ministry up and going. Last month, we began a **MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP CLASS**. Our Women's Ministry has been growing by leaps and bounds, but this is the first time we have offered a ministry to the men of the church. Each Saturday, as the sun is rising, we gather for breakfast and Bible study. Right now, we are studying what true repentance looks like. This Biblical teaching goes against everything our culture teaches us. Please pray for these men as we squeeze this time of teaching into their very busy schedules.



We have also started a new series in **SUNDAY SCHOOL**. Using the book *Peacemakers*, we are studying how to deal with conflict. This is a much-needed study that has received a lot of excellent feedback and interaction. Also, please pray for the **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY** of "La Roca" Church. This is the first year that the church has had an organized, intentional curriculum for the children. We are also impressed with how well they are memorizing their weekly verses.



OPPORTUNITIES TO PLAY

For those of you who are soccer fans, last month was the Copa America. This year, all the games took place in the U.S.A. It also provided an opportunity for the guys to get together for some much-needed fellowship. The night of the Peru-Brazil





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game, we gathered around a heater, a grill, and a projector and watched the game on the big screen. The game was entertainment enough, but we also had our own tournament on the foosball table. Please pray that we would not only grow in our knowledge of the Lord, but also in the love and fellowship of one another. (PS. Peru won that night.)

OPPORTUNITIES TO WORK

La Roca Church is very blessed to have her own property and building. Although our small congregation has very limited financial resources, we are thankful that they are always willing to roll up their sleeves and get to work. They are not afraid to put “sweat equity” into what the Lord has given them. In June, we held a church-wide workday. It was an opportunity to organize, paint, and clean the church building. More than just refreshing our worship space, these opportunities bring the church body closer together. Watching the eagerness of each person to serve and work together is always an encouragement to us. It was chaotic as people were working on top of people, but it was beautiful chaos. Please pray for us as we strive to steward the resources that the Lord has blessed us with! (We even put the kids to work.)



OPPORTUNITIES TO PARTNER

Everything in this newsletter and in all of our newsletters for the past four years could not have happened without the generous financial support of our ministry partners—both individuals and churches. We intentionally do not speak often or specifically about our financial needs so that when we do mention it, you will know that our need is genuine and urgent. With that being said, we want to give you the opportunity to partner with us in what the Lord is doing in Arequipa, Peru. Over the past few years, several ministry partners have had to end their financial support of the Gutierrez family due to the regular ups and downs of life. We are asking you to consider supporting the Gutierrez family by regular monthly support. In this, you have a ROI (“Return on Investment”) that is guaranteed by Christ himself (Matthew 16:18; Matthew 6:19-21). If you would like to become a ministry partner of the Gutierrez family, please visit:



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