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MTW MISSIONARIES TO PERU

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MISSIONS NEWSLETTER

**PLANTING CHURCHES
IN AREQUIPA, PERU**

**WILL YOU PARTNER
WITH US?**

ONLINE:
WWW.MTW.ORG

MAIL:
MISSION TO THE WORLD
PO Box 744165
ATLANTA, GA 30374-4165

MEMO:
BONHAM FAMILY - 10788
GUTIERREZ FAMILY - 12762

**READ THIS LETTER
AND PRAY!**



“You have changed. You used to be a very angry and mean person, but now you are different,” Salvador’s neighbor expressed with a smile.

If you were to join us on a Thursday afternoon at Salvador’s home, you would see a table set with brewed Peruvian coffee, a freshly baked cake, and Salvador and his family excitedly waiting for their neighbors to arrive. When we approached Salvador about starting a Bible study in his home as a means to reach his neighbors with the gospel, he smiled from ear to ear and accepted immediately without hesitation. A few days later, three neighbors came to his home, and we began to study the gospel from the book of Luke. After the second week, one of the ladies highlighted that Salvador had become a different person. Her comment pierced Salvador’s heart and brought tears to his eyes. He was so thankful to hear that the change the gospel had produced in his heart was bearing fruit in his life. He has been overjoyed at the opportunity to share the gospel with his unbelieving neighbors and show them what has brought about that change. His neighbors have responded with great interest, asking many questions and asking for prayer. Please pray for this new group. We have met for three weeks now, and it is one of the most exciting things we do all week!



[Neighborhood outreach at Salvador’s home]

Youth Outreach

Last month we asked you to pray for our anticuchos (cow-heart kebobs) youth event. A solid group of almost 30 youth showed up for games, a raffle, singing, anticuchos and a gospel message. We had hoped for many more than that, but this smaller group has really connected well, and all this week they have been preparing for a skit (Peruvians LOVE skits) that they will perform after the service during our church’s upcoming anniversary celebration. Please continue to pray for this group as youth have so many pulls on them in this big city!



[Youth group]



Medical campaign outreach

Medical Ministry Outreach

We also had the opportunity to help with a medical campaign hosted by a Christian medical organization we partner with. We were able to translate for some of the doctors who came to serve the low income populations of Arequipa, and to pray and witness to all the people waiting for medical care. The man pictured to the left was so frustrated at being unable to walk that he could barely talk to us or look at us. Once he had this cane, he couldn't stop smiling and hugging us all. We received overwhelmingly great responses and many promises to come to church this Sunday. Please pray for this!

Thank you for your prayers and your support. These are a few of the ways in which the Lord has been using your investment to further the gospel this month!



Praying with some of the patients

NEW ADDRESS FOR MTW

Important for those who partner with us by mailing in checks to MTW—the mailing address has changed!!! Please note the new address: Mission to the World, PO Box 744165, Atlanta, GA 30374-4165 (The old mailing address will be closed at the end of the year.)

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Please pray for the outreach at Salvador's home. Pray that his neighbors would continue to return and that they would come to know Jesus.
- Please pray for stamina as we will be receiving and hosting a team of 10 people from all over the USA on a missionary vision trip. Pray that the Lord would use this trip to call more people into missions.
- Please pray for upcoming travel for our team as we travel to MTW's Leadership Conference and Presbytery meetings in Cusco at the end of August.
- For maturity and commitment in our growing youth group and for their salvation.
- Pray for health in our marriages, for our children, our team and our personal holiness.
- Please continue to pray for Nikki's sister, Lacey, as she battles cancer. Please pray for the Bonhams also as they serve here in Arequipa so far away from family during Lacey's treatments.
- Pray for the kids and their school year: the Bonhams have just started their new homeschool year, and the Gutierrezes are entering the second half of their school year in a local private school, which means they are starting standardized testing season (and in Spanish!)

Thank you so much for your prayers and support of our work. We give praise to God for your partnership with us and your investment in this growing ministry!