

Dear Faithful Warriors,

We hope this finds you all growing in faith and pressing on in your walk with our Lord. Once again this letter is somewhat late in arriving due to an unbelievably busy schedule. We apologize that this month we will be unable to do our usual daily prayer requests for lack of time. We will include some specific requests however for certain days.



This past month, especially this past week has been very challenging for us. We have been trying to get unpacked and settled in the house we are renting in Huaraz, as well as preparing for a medical team that came the 25th of September for a week. Well, they have now come and gone and we have seen God at work through many difficult situations. It all began when Customs confiscated all the medications they were going to give to the people in the villages they visited during the week. Thankfully, God provided other meds through teams that had left them previously and through team members in

Cusco who sent them to us by plane and bus. This enabled us to continue with our planned itinerary for the week. Each day the group traveled 4 to 5 hours on rough, windy, dirt roads to reach villages that usually receive no aid of this type. We were able to serve many people with serious medical problems, but more importantly than that saw many at each village who desired to know Christ as their Savior. We will now be going back to follow-up at these villages and hopefully begin small groups in each one. As we explained to the team, we see their main purpose as being a key to getting in the door of these villages where there is no evangelical presence at all and in some instances where it is strongly discouraged. Their medical help is wonderful and gives relief to some people who have never seen a doctor, but in most cases the relief will be temporary whereas the long lasting effect of their visit is the door they open for us which without them would have taken months and maybe years to achieve in order to give them a hope that will last for eternity regardless of their circumstances.

It is a great blessing to have Heber, our Peruvian co-worker, and his wife, Marcelina and their baby, Caleb, here with us. We met them for the first time 5 years ago on our first trip to Peru and became friends in spite of the language barrier. Larry then spent time with him on his subsequent trips. We never imagined, however, that we would end up working together. It is a joy to have them here. Please pray for our

relationship that it would grow in unity of the Spirit. It is an interesting dynamic to be working with someone from another culture. Please pray that in spite of our different backgrounds that God would give us the wisdom we need to understand each other and that we would have open and honest communication.

The girls were real troopers during the past few weeks when our schedule was kind of erratic. Sandy and the girls went with the team two of the days which required getting up as early as 2:30 a.m. one day. It was a treat for them because the team leader brought his two children ages 10 and 12 and they had some fun times together. They were sad to see them go, but now they have two more e-mail pen pals to keep up with. School has been going well although last week we only did two days due to being with the team. Of course, some days go better than others, but that is very normal for all home schoolers. Continued prayer requests for them would be for friends. They have made some Peruvian friends from Sunday school that live close by, but haven't had much opportunity yet to play together with them. Also, for their attitudes as far as school goes (especially Mackenzie). Lynae has continued to have some non-specific pain that moves from her abdomen to her back. Please pray that God's grace would sustain her and that she would not worry overly much about it. Plus that we would have wisdom as we keep track of it.

Larry had his first opportunity to teach an adult Bible study two Sundays ago. Our co-worker, Heber, said he did a great job. They will be co-teaching every other Sunday. This is very challenging, not only because it is in a different language, but he has to take into account the cultural differences as well in order to make it relevant for them in their lives. Please pray for God's power to go forth through the teaching of His Word. This past Sunday after a Bible study/picnic at our house Larry presented the Gospel and four of those present prayed to receive Christ. They attend the Bible study that has just been started near our house and we will be able to follow-up and disciple them in the Word.

Sandy is staying busy with school and trying to keep the house in order. She handled the organizing of the food for the team that was here which took a lot of time and energy, but turned out fine. She is co-teaching a children's Sunday school class with Heber's wife, Marcelina. It is very stretching but good. Please pray that they would communicate clearly to these little ones the love of God and their need for a Savior. Also, please pray that what they are learning may also impact their parents.

Here is a thought from Marsha Crockett:

A life of prayer is about a heart on pilgrimage ... a heart always listening and watching for God's presence. Listen to Him in everyday events and routines. Hear and see Him

in nature or at work in your church home. Let Him speak through the people and circumstances He puts in your life.

We are learning that a lot of times when the times are tough or in the mundane of our lives we don't see God's presence, but He is there, at work, teaching and growing us. We may not always like the methods, but we can know from Romans 8:28 that it is ALWAYS for our good. Have you seen Him today?

We have many things to praise our Father for, but the one most invaluable thing is you. We are absolutely certain that without you we would not still be here. Please never underestimate the power of your prayers on our behalf or how much we desperately need them. We miss you all very much and pray for you also. Some of you have sent specific requests and others we pray for in a more general way. We count it a great gift to be able to share in this ministry with you and realize it is no easier on your end than on ours, but we remember 1 Peter 1 where it says, ". . . even now for a little while, if necessary, you have been distressed by various trials, that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ."

We love you all.

Larry, Sandy, Lynae and Mackenzie

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Praises:

- Safety as we traveled here from Cusco and also since we have been here and during all the travels with the team.
- For the doors that have been opened as a result of the medical team that was here. Please pray for the follow-up we will be doing in these villages.
- That Mackenzie is all better from her asthma flare-up.
- For those who have accepted Christ. Please pray that they would grow in their knowledge and faith and that they would bear much fruit for the kingdom.
- For growing relationships with Heber and his family.
- For the two groups that are already meeting and growing in Recuay and Monterrey.
- For the continued evidence of your love for us in so many ways.

Specific Dates for Prayer:

- 10th We will be traveling 5 hours back to a village called Colcabamba where we went with the medical team to do some follow-up. We will be showing the Jesus film which Wycliffe has dubbed in the Quechua of this area. Following this we will be trying to see what kind of interest there may be for further Bible studies.
- 20th Our team leader, Keith Powlison, will be visiting to meet with us and our Peruvian co-workers to discuss the vision for the ministry here. Please pray that the Holy Spirit would be very present and that the qualities of unity and love would mark our team as we begin to participate in God's work here.
- 26th Today is Lynae's 11th birthday. We thank the Lord for the huge blessing our girls are to us. Please pray that Lynae will continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ and become more like Him with each passing year.