



Los Chasquis de Cristo a Los Quechua

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New Life

Dear Friends,

We give thanks for the Lord is good! As we are finishing preparations for a team to arrive today we are seeing how the Lord prepares the way for all things and all for good according to Romans 8:28. I have to confess that many times I cannot see the good but still we must not underestimate the wisdom and mercy of God.

This past month could have been classified as a disaster in some ways. We had scheduled a week long conference that would have included young men from all the churches we work with in the Huaylas valley. There were several announcements made. I had even invited two Quechua Seminary grads to come and take part in the teaching. We all had hopes that this would be a great way to begin long term training with young men who have a passion to see Christ known in their pueblitos. The hosting church was going to prepare meals and provide housing for all. It

seemed to be a dream that was on its way to come to pass.

But then two nights before the conference the presiding President of the denomination hosting the conference, sent notice that he was canceling the conference. The two gentlemen who I had invited were already traveling from their villages. Each one would travel over 28 hours total by bus. While I was fighting the temptation of discouragement I knew I needed to find a way to get in touch with these gentlemen if at all possible to tell them to return home or their trip would have been in vain.

So I called the Quechua radio station that most all the Quechua listen to in the mornings and early evenings to see if they would announce over the airways that the conference was canceled. So indeed they did in their own Quechua dialect. Unfortunately the message did not reach them until they arrived in Lima as they were traveling by bus. Thankfully I was able to contact both of the gentlemen once they arrived midway and make sure they did not continue their long bus trip to Huaraz.

I still believe that the Lord is good and that all will work for good to those who love Him and are called to His purpose as Paul wrote under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. I also believe we live in a very fallen sinful world and Peru is a place that is very dark spiritually.

We had the privilege of having a Medical team come here in May and wrote about the many Quechua folks we had the opportunity to serve. One of the patients we saw

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prayed to follow Christ. He has severe Rheumatoid arthritis and was carried into the clinic. Since that time, we have met at Ermogenes house reading through the book of Luke in his own Quechua dialect. Every week he welcomes us and each week he told us he feels a little better. Last week when we arrived at his little adobe house, Ermogenes was standing outside on his own with only one crutch to help him in case he fell. I could not believe what I was seeing! He then shook my hand and told me to watch him as he walked slowly through his doorway of his house without the crutch. Keep praying for him as he sees the Lord's hand in his life. He is the only believer in his village.

We also give thanks to the Lord for Jovanna a young woman who was diagnosed with appendicitis. She denied any help to get an operation even after taking her to the hospital. Although we were all waiting and hoping she would change her mind, I saw her a month later and she says she is fine now. Please pray for Jovanna.

We thank you all for your interceding prayers for us and the work the Lord is doing among the Quechua people.

Larry, Sandra, Lynae, Mackenzie and Jonathan



Making popcorn balls— A new experience for our Quechua friends, Gabriela, Alfredo and Lisel. Mackenzie and Lynae

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- ◆ For our great and wonderful God who always leads us in triumph in Christ Jesus.
- ◆ For the improved health of Ermogenes and for his testimony in his community.
- ◆ For a great turnout at the pastor's seminar that Larry and Heber taught.
- ◆ For safety in travels to Lima.
- ◆ For the great time the girls are having on vacation and new friends they are making.
- ◆ For the two new baby lambs that were born this month.
- ◆ For a new community, Ututupampa, that desires to start a Bible Study.



Jonathan

*** P R A Y E R R E Q U E S T S (One for each day of the month) ***

5–The group from Crossroads Church will be making the bus trip up from Lima today. Pray for a safe and uneventful trip.

6–Mackenzie has a little class of 2-3 year olds that she works with each Sunday. Pray God would continue to nurture this love of teaching and service.

7–This week we will be doing construction in the mornings with the group. Pray for protection for everyone.

8–In the afternoons this week the group will be doing vacation bible school in two different communities, one where we already have a small group started and the other where they desire us to start a group. As we enter the enemy's territory, Pray for God's Spirit to give us boldness.

9–Pray for the people in the group to get a vision of God's heart for the Quechua people.

10–Pray for protection from illness for all.

11–Many will have heard the Gospel this past week for the first time. We ask that God would cause the seeds that were sown to take root and fuel a hunger to know Him through His word which would lead to changed lives.

12–The team will be taking the bus back to Lima and then flying to the States today. Once again, Pray for safety and protection over their health.

13–Pray Proverbs 17:22 today that we would not let the little (and sometimes big) things we encounter everyday get us down.

14–Lynae has been going out to the villages with Larry. Pray that God would continue to grow her desire to see God's word spread.

15–We are working on the paperwork to get a passport for Jonathan in order to be able to travel with him out of the country. Pray that all goes smoothly and that we find favor with the authorities.

16–MTW is in the process of purchasing the Wycliffe Center here in Huaraz to be used as a training center for pastors and leaders and also to do vocational training. Pray for the sale to be completed.

17–Sandy's mom continues to struggle with being in a nursing home. Pray for her adjustment and acceptance of the situation.

18–We praise God for the work that He is doing in many of the people's lives in Collahuasi in spite



Jessie working the sheep

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of much opposition. We pray that the truths being taught would give hope to the people as they begin a new life in Christ.

19-Pray for the wife of Er-mogenes, Edita, as she has been more open lately and been attending the Bible study.

20-Pray for converts and opening of the eyes of the spiritually blind. 2 Corinthians 4.

21-We travel to Lima today, Pray for safety and that we won't be harassed by the police on our way.

22-Pray for Heber and Marcelina as they are expecting their second child and are preparing to leave here to begin seminary in Lima.

23-Today we begin 3 days of meetings to do Peru Field Planning. Pray for Larry as he presents the vision for Huaraz and the surrounding areas.

24-Pray Colossians 3:12-17 for all who are involved in these meetings especially that all would "put on" love which is the perfect bond of unity.

25-Continue to pray for Don Gahagen (whom we hope will be able to attend these meetings) our mentor, fellow missionary and good friend, as he adjusts to having a pacemaker and that he won't have any problems traveling.

26-We are returning from Lima today.

27-Pray 1 Peter 5:1-3 for the evangelical pastors and other leaders here.

28-Pray that we would do as Isaiah 40:9 says and get ourselves up on a high mountain (not hard to do here), lift up our voices and declare, "Here is your God!"

29-The kids from our community still come to play and we pray that these relationships will bear much fruit for the kingdom in the future.

30-Larry has been taking Quechua classes on Fridays and Saturdays for four hours each day.



Preparing wool for a sweater

Pray for supernatural enabling to understand and use what he learns in the villages.

31-We always value your prayers for our marriage, that God would strengthen our love for one another and for Him.

September

1-This is the scheduled date for MTW to take over the Wycliffe Center. Pray that the transition would be a smooth one and also that God would provide someone to come and serve as caretakers here.

2-Anna Echols continues to raise support in hopes of being here by mid 2007. Please continue to pray that God would open doors for her to share and also that He would continue demonstrate His faithfulness and trustworthiness to her.

3-Since becoming foster parents to Jonathan, we have become aware of the huge number of other children that need homes for a variety of reasons. Pray God would open the eyes and hearts of Peruvians to step up and meet this need.

4-Today is our first day of school for this year. We are still looking into the possibility of them attending a Peruvian school in March when the Peruvian school year begins. Please continue to pray that we would have wisdom in this regard.

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord." 1 Corinthians 15:58

We love you!