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NEWLIFE *In* Peru

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✧ *Hearing, keeping, bringing,...*

“ SALVATION IS OF THE LORD ”

While some vehicle problems hindered us from making it to Antioquia consistently in the past, repairs to the vehicle are now complete. It's recently been discouraging because of my impatience. And there are other issues I'm dealing with since we returned to Peru from furlough. I'd love to be able to pray with any of you personally about it if you like to call. We have a VOC (voice over computer). You can dial (864) 315-1981 'State-side' to reach us weekdays after 5 pm.

The final week of January, a unique camp has been arranged for MK's (missionary children) in South America. We were not directly involved in the first year when they had 60 campers. As of today, the 2020 MK camp has over 100 coming! Rose Marie is directing the arts and crafts. Both of us have important assignments to disciple and counsel the youth.

MK's may sometimes feel like the "outsiders of the outsiders." They are incredibly resilient, usually have unique opportunities to reach other young people, and have a richer command of the language. They are resourceful team members for ministries through music, organization, and leadership. Going through life much like many other adolescent, MK's may have unique challenges. Our goal in the letter is not to diminish them in any way. Rather, we want to help you understand how much they need your prayer. A few of the specific needs that children on the mission field might face:

- Cultural Distancing
- Physical Health Needs
- Relationships
- Education
- Special Situations
- Honoring the Lord with their gifts and abilities.



Good Ground

“But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.”

Luke 8:15

A sincere THANK YOU is sent with each update.

We need your service of prayer and financial support .

Matthew 25:23



New Members and Deacons voted in!
January 19, 2020



While there is a lot of “sowing” that takes place, God is The Lord of the Harvest. As deep our desire is to partake in the harvest, laborers need to be patient for the seed to take root, for the Holy Spirit to convict, or nourish, the tender seeds.

Jonah 2:9

As we consider what we've experienced; What sometimes is Satanic attack against missionaries and their families, We have been burdened about extending our role as counselors. Building trust, and deepening relationships with MK's is essential. I have had several opportunities to give chapel messages to children of missionaries and know families that described some of the following situations to us. One thing we've noticed: some parent's 'focus on their work' is a sacrifice of their families on the field. This year's MK Camp gives us an another vantage in reaching Peru; Intervening through Another Front of the Battle.

1. Children of two, and sometimes more cultural blends, find themselves lost without a country. They don't always *fit-in* with other children. If the family is working with nationals that are impoverished, the stigma sometimes is that they are too good, or too different to relate to either side. It appears that they don't have anything in common, (except for maybe sports). Since many of the missionary children do not attend the public school system, church or other social activities are important ministry inroads into the culture. Food, language, music, even clothing can distance them and cause feelings of loneliness, and failure to '*normalize*'.

2. Due to some environmental sensitivities and low resistances, families may chose to limit where or when their children go out to play, shop, visit friends, or what they eat. This may make some missionary children feel left out of normal childhood activities. Physical stresses such as contaminations due to impure air such as molds, mildews, and general pollutants can cause stress in normal activities. Especially if medical treatments are scarce or expensive.

3. Foreign Relationships are always a delicate issue for families: As mentioned before, schools (even Christian schools) are not guaranteed to be the 'best place' to make the best friends. Some Missions Policies forbid the children of missionaries to date nationals. The taboos of one generation to another are difficult enough without adding the mixtures of national traditions, customs, and values. The topic of

'friend formation' is addressed on a case-by-case basis. What works for some in one area of the same country may not work the same in the other areas. Our nouthetic counseling techniques require a firm understanding of Biblical prudence which cover aspects of personal choices for godly living. We need much, much prayer as the parents entrust their children to us to guide them in *honoring their parents in all things*. MP's have a better understanding of the culture they minister in; Better than the MK's who are going through the growing pains of adolescence.

4. Education and in-home nurturing in the 21st century is more diverse than a decade ago. Since the information age is at our fingertips, it is easy to *educate* without *integrate*. Many systematic courses in foreign countries have different objectives than that of a student who is going to live in the United States after leaving home. The annual school calendar is one consideration if the parents plan on sending their children to the US for college or university. Another consideration that leads to confusion is different terminology or nuances in specialty courses, such as math or science for example.

5. Special Situations: This area usually is emotionally charged; such as the sickness or death of a relative, resistance to follow God's will and plan for their life, or unconfessed sin on the doorstep. One profound introspections we were graciously given as a couple leaving the norms of Western culture and customs, was this: "*Whatever besetting sins or problems we carry, they are magnified on the mission field.*" No missionary has ever had their faith tested at home as it is abroad. It's just the nature of Satan to try to destroy lives, ministries, or families, seeking whom he may devour.

George Whitfield said, "...like a roaring lion, with double fury, he (Satan) will break out upon us again. Satan is such an evil enemy, that he seldom leaves us after the first attack. As he followed our blessed Lord with one temptation after another, so will he treat the Lord's servants."

Pray, earnestly pray, for the next generation of missionaries we touch that are in training.

2 Timothy 2:2