## JANUARY-MARCH 2022

## WORLD WIDE NEW TESTAMENT BAPTIST MISSIONSSENT BY:FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH ......TAYLORS, SC



Isaiah 54:2

Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes.

Kris and Rose Marie Blumer Reaching the world and Teaching the Word For Christ!



**PRAY** Antonio Torres will be a vital help in contacting people in Cerro Azul. The Longer I serve Him, the sweeter He grows

Over time, God uses us to encourage Believers and lead by example; To increase their faith in Him, and to personally experience complete peace wherever He leads. We can see how nine years in Peru taught us more than language and culture. The secure and lasting relationships that are built are foundational to the next phase of our ministry plan.

Prior to the ongoing COVID restrictions which began in 2020, I believe that a specific ministry to start local churches in remote villages was already in God's plan for us. I am following the Lord into this *enlarged* mission by ~increasing through decreasing~. (Decreasing in the sense that I will not be spending four out of the seven days a week in preparation and grading homework for LMCS).

In a step of faith, our ministry to help establish 2 churches and serve the La Molina Christian School families came to a close in December 2021. God has opened a better position to evangelize and teach new believers and train nationals reaching *this generation* in villages that I have been ministering in since 2013. We have not finished the race, we are increasing the pace.

Since the inception of Iglesia Gracia Bautista in 2016, the downtown Lima church plant installed two national pastors to help the church grow. As we step aside we are confident that the pastoral staff in Iglesia Gracia Bautista is ready to continue in leadership and the church is able to be autonomous and self-sustaining. Please pray specifically about an additional invitation I have received to meet with a small group of believers that live in the coastal village of Cerro Azul. If God grants His will through us, He may be opening a new door of ministry for a new church start in this fishing village before the end of the year.

Compared to the metropolitan area which has the most ridged mandates, rural areas have exercised a relaxed position. They are not enforcing each and every mandate that we follow living close to the capital. One great obstacle that we face in the remote areas are the traditions and superstition of cults. Local corruption is the accepted norm and every man does what is right in his own eyes.

This year the Christian School enrollment has suffered, as nearly half of the students are not able to return for the new 2022 school year. Additionally, last year I began helping missionary families who live and minister within the Lima metropolitan area, teaching and training their children through a Home-School Bible class two hours per week. We have had a great desire to disciple those who have been saved and want to continue growing in Christ.

We are incurring an estimated \$900.00/ month of new expenses. The provision to us through LMCS of housing and some of the utilities we had not earlier assumed, is being placed under our name and bank account. Additionally, the legal assistance that covers our visas and responsibility of documentation will also be transferred to us.

## Thank you for the prayers prayed.

Last week my sister posted for us, "Went to visit Mom Monday, she is doing great, Hospice RN found out I was there and stopped in - they are ready to release her from their care. She still needs the hospital bed/ wheelchair for outside the home use and we can get Medicare to cover the costs with a prescription which I got the process started while I was there. God answers prayer as we all know !!" Praise God! That was good news for Rose Marie and I to hear!

The information we received in Peru about my mother and her health concerned us, primarily due to the fact that we were not involved in the decision to put her under Hospice care. We relied on family members to evaluate her and considered the advice they gave us to come to the States. We made a decision to stay in the home with my mother and evaluate her condition ourselves. It was confirmed by the caregivers (on a scale of 1-10) that she was at 3 and in need of constant care after her recovery from COVID. To the glory of God, on the scale of 7 she recovered the physical complications but her mental state will continue to deteriorate. Rose Marie and I determined to stay close for a short time, in case her direction turned to the worst. We trusted her to the Lord in prayer and are thankful for His watch and care over her.

Thank you for the prayers as I have been evangelizing and disciplining in Antioquia for 6 years prior to the COVID-19 lockdowns. It has become very complex but not impossible for God. Since the October of 2019 service we had, the church plant is not what we would have desired. God used it in ways we still have not realized completely. We do know He was working in lives and hearts in spite of the adversities. Our prayers were being answered through a trip I made to Antioquia on February 4th. It confirmed God is still at work in the mountain villages. <u>Pray for Fruit that Remains.</u> God deserves all the glory for saving and keeping His flock intact during the worst part of the last two years.

In your prayer time, please mention the lovingkindnesses of the Lord (Isaiah 63:7) And the praises of the Lord, According to all that the Lord has bestowed on us, And the great goodness toward the house of Israel, Which He has bestowed on them according to His mercies, According to the multitude of His lovingkindnesses.

We value the time you invest and sacrificial-giving you make for the sake of His name. Thank you,

Kris and Rose Marie Blumer