



PRAYER & PRAISE

-We are thankful for God's help in arranging and completing many details ahead of our travel to U.S.

-The start of Lighthouse Training Center has been a huge success and we are thrilled to see how members from various churches are receiving practical courses.

-Please pray with us as we continue to navigate the legal land issues as we work towards a solution.

-We are seeking God's wisdom as we begin our furlough and project new goals for our return to Peru in 2023.

New Worlds

Since our arrival in April, we have enjoyed getting settled and watching our kids experience new the unique things about being here in the U.S. Levi one day realized that he can literally can get drinking water from any faucet and he replied with, "this is awesome!"

There is nothing more special than being back with people we have loved and missed. Aaron's parents met us at the airport and it was so surreal seeing them face to face instead of through a screen. The day after we arrived, it snowed! Our kids got to experience snow twice in April!! We are sorry to those of you who were tired of snow, but our kids thank God that April showers are sometimes snowy!!

Home Away From Home

As missionaries, we are sometimes asked where home is. If the old adage is true that home is where the heart is, then we have many homes! One of our homes, away from home, is North Carolina. This was our home for the first four years of our marriage and Joel was also born there.

Our sending church is in Winston-Salem, and we feel so at home there.

We have enjoyed getting to be back

with friends that feel like family. Grace Baptist welcomed us with open arms and rolled out the red carpet for our arrival. We are so thankful for friends who care about missionaries and go out of their way to see that our needs are met.

Grace provided a mission house for us and had such a wonderful mission basket of things waiting for us! We continue to realize that our ability to serve in Peru is only possible because God uses His people in our lives.

Protection and Provision

We were in Pennsylvania for Aaron's graduation from seminary. The night after graduation, Levi woke up in the middle of the night sick enough to where we decided we should take him to the emergency room. He was severely dehydrated as he was having trouble keeping food and water down. It was scary for Levi, but we are thankful how God providentially had us stay just five minutes from a big hospital on the outskirts of Philadelphia! It is amazing to see how God always cares for us and goes before us. We were thankful for God's constant protection and provision!





Hurdles Are Merely Opportunities to Learn

While in North Carolina, we were able to get Joel and Liz seen by a reading specialist as areas of spelling, reading, and writing have been exceptionally difficult for them. They were both evaluated and confirmed with dyslexia. We are learning what they need to work on and how we can best help them improve. This involves considering schooling options for them this academic year so we can take advantage of getting extra help while here in the U.S. As parents, we want to help our kids the best we can and sometimes this isn't as easy as we would want. This is a time where God is testing our trust in Him even though we don't always have all the answers.

Pressing Towards the Mark into New Horizons

In our last update, we shared with you about the launching of Lighthouse Baptist Training Center for lay leaders in the city of Cusco. The night classes began in March of this year and we have seen four courses taught to an average of 30-40 students. When we return to Peru, we are preparing to start two additional ministries.

Heritage House is a ministry focused on renting rooms to Christian University students for the purpose of

encouraging them in their faith during their studies in the Secular Colleges. This and the new Christian bookstore and coffee house are dependent on having a location where we can rent rooms and run a bookstore.

Please Join Us In Seeking God

A Peruvian, Christian business woman owns a property in downtown Cusco that she might be willing to sell. She now lives in Texas and has invited us to visit her for the purpose of discussing the possibilities. Joel and I fly to Houston on August 13 and will visit the Spanish church there on Sunday and spend two days getting to discuss the possibilities. If God would allow, we would hope to purchase her land and building.

If this happened, we would run Lighthouse Training Center, Heritage House, and the bookstore, coffee house out of this property. Thank you for praying with us about this huge opportunity! We are actively seeking God and working to raise funds towards the possible purchase of this land. If God touches your heart for what is going on in Cusco, would you consider helping to see this dream become a reality? God is doing great and mighty things and we are excited to pray and wait for His timing and plan!!

