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Dear Brethren,

Here is a lengthy translated report from our missionary Jairo Villaseca in Peru. He is catching up on ministry news from the field. Lord willing, I'll be traveling with Bro. Jairo for some reporting and deputation work in early 2027. We also will be discussing plans for a trip to Peru some time in 2027. We will bring this up during our GPA Camp Meeting coming up later this month. Several have expressed their desire to make this trip. Another trip is being considered for Venezuela, according to God's timing and perfect will.

Bro. Carl, GPA

Luke 19:10



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Report from Missionary Jairo Villaseca, Peru



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DEAR PASTORS AND CHURCHES:



By the grace of God, it is a joy for us to greet you once again in the love that unites us in Christ and to share with you what the Lord has been doing in our church and on our mission field. Thank you for your prayers, your support, and for being part of the work God has allowed us to do in Peru.

March - During the month of March, we held our first **Family Conference**, and we had the privilege of having the Montt family with us. They were precious days of teaching, reflection, and challenges for our church centered on such an important subject: the family.

On Friday, we had a special session for the ladies of our church. **Sister Gisela Montt** taught on the family, shared biblical principles, and encouraged the ladies to consider the important role God has given them in the home. Around **70 ladies** attended, and it was a very encouraging day, but also one filled with great challenges from the Word of God. On Saturday, the conference focused on the entire family: parents, husbands, wives, and children. It was wonderful to see families gathered together and taking part in this time of teaching. Pastor **Fernando Montt** taught on **male passivity**, using Adam and his failure to exercise responsible leadership in the home as an example. From the account in Genesis, we saw how Adam was present when Eve took the forbidden fruit, yet remained passive and did not act according to the responsibility God had given him. Without question, this teaching led us to examine our hearts and our leadership within the family. That same Saturday morning, we also held an **evangelism workshop** in which Pastor Fernando reminded us of several basic principles for sharing the Gospel and presented different methods and tools we can use to communicate the good news of Jesus Christ. It was a very practical time that encouraged us to remain mindful of our responsibility to take the Gospel to those around us. Finally, on Sunday, we concluded our Family Conference with the second part of the message entitled "**Male Passivity**," completing several days of teaching and challenge for our church. We thank the Lord for allowing us to have these times together and for using the Montt family to minister to us through His Word. We pray that everything we learned will not remain merely as knowledge, but will produce real changes in our homes and that, as a church, we may honor the Lord by fulfilling our family responsibilities according to His Word.

During this month, we also made a new beginning in our **Sunday Bible teaching**. After finishing our study of the life of King David, we began a new series entitled "**God in the Life of Joseph**." It has been very encouraging to see the church's enthusiasm each week as we gather to continue learning more about God through Joseph's life. As we study his life, our desire is to see more clearly the faithfulness, sovereignty, and care of our God, even in the midst of difficult circumstances.

We also ended the month with a special activity for our young people. We held a **sports day** that, in addition to giving us a time of wholesome recreation, provided a wonderful opportunity for fellowship and conversation about important matters at this stage of their lives, particularly **friendship and dating**.

During this time, we held several workshops, some separately for the young ladies and young men and others together, seeking to address these subjects from a biblical and practical perspective. It was a month filled with activity, teaching, and fellowship, and we thank the Lord for every opportunity He gave us to serve Him and for all He continues to do in our church and among our young people through the "**Connected**" ministry.

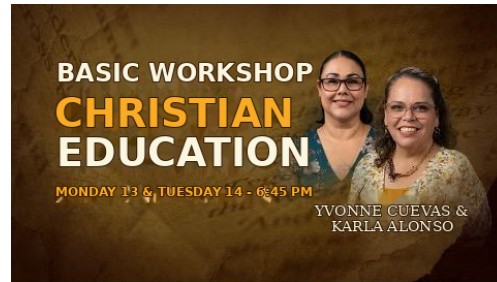


APRIL - During April, we had the privilege of visiting **Tablada Baptist Mission**, the church where I had the opportunity to work for quite some time while serving as an evangelist. On this occasion, we went with our church's evangelism ministry to assist with a day of evangelistic outreach. In the afternoon, we held an **evangelistic program for children**, giving us the opportunity to spend time with them and present the Gospel message in a clear way appropriate for their age. In the evening, we returned prepared to take part in the evangelistic service. Members of our church presented several special music numbers, helping prepare hearts for the preaching of the Word. I had the privilege of leading the evangelistic program for the children in the afternoon and also preaching the evangelistic message that evening. It was a joy to see many adults and children hear the Gospel, and some made professions of faith. We thank the Lord for this opportunity and pray that He will continue to bless and faithfully use this church.

During the third week of April, we held another **intensive 15-hour module of Logos Baptist Seminary**. Pastor **Fernando Montt** taught throughout the week on **Literary Genres**, and around **60 people** faithfully attended each evening. It was a very profitable time as we learned the importance of recognizing the different literary genres found in Scripture so that we can interpret the Word of God more accurately. We thank the Lord for the desire He has placed in our people to grow in the knowledge of His Word. We also took advantage of the visit of **Sister Carla Alonso**, who taught both my wife and me during our studies in Puerto Rico, and **Sister Yvonne** to hold a training workshop for all our children's Sunday School teachers. Because of the limited time, we held the workshop over two evenings, addressing subjects related to working with **children and teenagers**. It was a very special and practical time for our teachers, who received tools and guidance to better serve the next generation. It was especially meaningful for me to see Sister Carla again after so many years and to witness how God continues to use her and has now allowed her to minister in the church the Lord has entrusted to my care.

We are deeply grateful for the people God has used at different stages of our lives and who have now, in various ways, also been a blessing to our church. As a result of these modules and workshops, **six of our people were encouraged to enroll in Logos Baptist Seminary**, which is currently offered online. We are glad to see how these training opportunities have awakened in some a greater desire to know God, go deeper into His Word, and prepare to serve Him. Some of our people are even considering and wrestling with the Lord's call to full-time ministry. We pray that God will continue to guide each of these decisions and raise up laborers for His work. During the last week of April, we also had a visit from the **Príncipe family, Daniel and Fernanda**, who have been our friends since our college years. It was a joy to welcome them and have them minister in our church.

Pastor **Daniel Príncipe** taught on Saturday at our men's meeting, while **Sister Fernanda** spoke to the ladies of the church on Thursday. In addition, on Saturday morning Pastor Daniel gave a workshop on **soteriological topics**, providing teaching that helped our people deepen their understanding of important truths related to salvation. We thank the Lord for everything He allowed us to experience during this month: opportunities to preach the Gospel, times of biblical training, workshops for our teachers, and visits from brothers and sisters who have been a great blessing to our church. We gratefully see how God continues to build His church and awaken in our people a greater desire to know Him, serve Him, and prepare for the work He has placed before us.



MAY - During May, we had various opportunities to enjoy fellowship as a church and to grow in the Word of God. On **May 1**, a national holiday for Labor Day in Peru, we held our customary **church sports day**. We enjoyed volleyball and soccer tournaments, family and ministry contests, raffles, and various activities. It was a wonderful time of friendship, joy, and fellowship among brothers and sisters.

During the second week, **Pastor Carlos Marquina**, one of my spiritual counselors, visited us and taught on "**The Power of the Gospel**," based on Romans 1:15-17. We also celebrated **Mother's Day**. With God's help, we prepared a small purse for each mother and held basket raffles. It was a lovely opportunity to honor our mothers and thank them for their lives. This month, we also had the joy of receiving **four people as new members of our church**. We thank the Lord for how He continues to establish and grow His church. On **May 29**, I had the privilege of taking part, together with my wife and daughter, in a couples' meeting at **Faith Baptist Church**, pastored by Edward Zacarías. Around **30 couples** attended, and I had the opportunity to teach four truths from **Ephesians 5:18** concerning the filling of the Holy Spirit and its importance in marriage. It was a wonderful time of fellowship and edification. Finally, on **May 30**, we held another training session for our children's Sunday School teachers. **BCM**, a ministry specializing in children's work, provided a workshop from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Our teachers were greatly edified and received tools to help them continue serving the children more effectively.

We thank the Lord for everything we experienced during this month: for the fellowship of the church, the teaching of His Word, the new members who have joined us, and every opportunity to continue preparing and strengthening those who serve in His work.



JUNE - During June, we had various opportunities to grow together as a church, share the Gospel, and serve the Lord. On **June 6**, we held a youth fellowship with **Faith Baptist Church**. It was a very encouraging time for our young people, who were able to meet and fellowship with another youth ministry as they grew together around the Word of God.

During the activity, we addressed matters related to how young people should treat one another and the importance of cultivating true friendships. On **June 7**, the day of the **runoff presidential election in our country**, we held only our evening service. We prayed that the Lord would protect our nation and have mercy on it. This month, we also began a **membership class** with an initial group of **20 people**. We thank the Lord for their desire to better understand what it means to be part of a local church and to responsibly commit themselves to serving the Lord with His people. This month, we also went through a very special and solemn time when our dear **Brother Pedro**, a very faithful member of our church, went home to be with the Lord. We held services on two evenings in which we not only remembered his life and thanked the Lord for his testimony, but also had the opportunity to preach the Gospel. Around **200 people** attended each service, and many heard the good news of Jesus Christ. I had the privilege of ministering and preaching at both services and of sharing a few words at the burial. We especially appreciate your prayers for the family, and particularly for his widow, **Sister Betty**, during this time of sorrow.

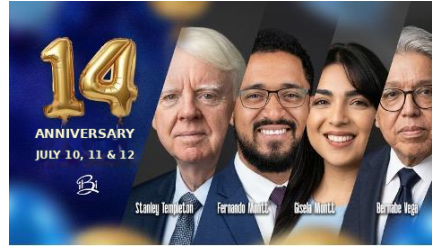
On **June 21**, we celebrated **Father's Day**. The ladies of our church prepared a buffet breakfast for all the fathers, along with raffles and other activities. As a church, we were also able to give each father a water bottle. It was a wonderful time of fellowship and gratitude for the lives of our fathers. During the last week of June, I was invited to **Maranatha Baptist Church in Nazca**, approximately seven hours from Lima. My wife and daughter traveled with me, and we had the privilege of preaching from Thursday through Saturday on the subject of **revival**. It was a very special time of fellowship and of sharing the Word of God with the brethren. Finally, on **June 27**, we held a day of **general cleaning and work** in preparation for our anniversary in July. We had a "workday," as we usually call it here in Peru, when we worked together to paint the entire church, repair the restrooms and classrooms, and complete various maintenance projects. In addition, thanks to the voluntary contributions of our people, we were able to purchase a new printer for the church. It was wonderful to see everyone working together and serving with joy. We thank the Lord for everything we experienced in June: for the young people, for those who desire to become part of the church, for opportunities to preach the Gospel, for comfort in the midst of grief, and for the willingness of our people to serve and work together in the Lord's work.



JULY - During July, we joyfully celebrated our **church anniversary**. The choir members had been preparing for several months to take part in these special days of celebration, and their hard work was evident in every special they presented during the anniversary services. It was wonderful to see so many people willing and eager to serve the Lord and contribute to the celebration. The **Montt family** was with us again, and much of the celebration focused on the **family**, with messages and workshops addressing the different needs of each member of the home. We also had the privilege of having Pastors **Bernabé Vega** and **Stanley Templeton** with us. They minister in Lima and have been a wonderful example and blessing in my life during the six years I have been in Peru.

During these days, several churches joined us for the celebration. **Bethel Baptist Church of Trujillo** visited us, and its choir traveled about eight hours to participate with us. We were also joined by **Faith Baptist Church; Efata Baptist Church**, where my wife and I previously had the privilege of serving;

and **Berea Baptist Church of Ica**, which traveled approximately four hours to be with us, along with other churches that were present. They were busy days, but also a great blessing as we saw the church celebrate another year and received teaching and preaching from men God has used to bless us. After nearly two years since the Lord allowed me to assume the pastorate, our family was able to take a week to rest and enjoy time together in the city of **Huaraz**. It was a very special time to be together as a family and renew our strength. During those days, we also celebrated my wife **Ana María's birthday on July 23**. I thank the Lord for giving her another year of life and allowing me to celebrate with her and our family.

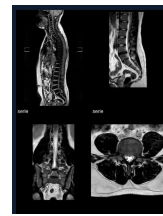


AUGUST - On **August 1**, we had the privilege of welcoming **Pastor Javier Donatiu**, who came from Puerto Rico. He also studied in Puerto Rico and graduated there in the 1980s. Although I had not previously had the opportunity to meet him in person, I had already heard about his ministry. For the past four years, he has devoted himself to evangelistic ministry. During his visit, he taught workshops on **evangelism and discipleship** and also preached during our evangelistic morning service for Friend Day. That evening, we had **Pastor David Keiser** with us. He was one of our teachers for four years while my wife and I studied at CUB in Puerto Rico. Both men had come to Peru to participate in the annual pastors' retreat in Arequipa, and we took advantage of their time in Lima so they could minister to our church.

From **August 3 to 8**, I was able to participate in the **pastors' retreat in Arequipa** for the fourth consecutive year. They were days filled with teaching, reflection, and spiritual encouragement. The Lord used this time to lead me to make personal, family, and ministry decisions. These gatherings are a wonderful opportunity to refresh our hearts and renew our strength to continue the work God has entrusted to us. During those days, my brother-in-law, **Pastor Diego Valbuena**, was also with us. He traveled from Colombia and spent several days with my wife, my daughter, and our church. They were very special times of family and ministry fellowship. On **August 9**, I was taken to the hospital for emergency care because of severe stomach pain. After several tests, the doctors ruled out appendicitis and gallbladder problems, and I was able to return home that same morning. Thank the Lord, I felt better the following day, and on **August 10** the church celebrated my **31st birthday** with me. After several painful nights, it was a very special and joyful time with both my church family and my family.

One week later, I had to return to the hospital for emergency care, this time because of severe lower back pain that even left me unable to walk for several hours. After several tests, the doctors found a **herniated disc between L4 and L5**. I am currently receiving physical therapy and pool rehabilitation, along with making dietary changes intended to help with the back and stomach problems. It has been a month of several trials, but I am thankful that the Lord continues working in my life even in the midst of them. We greatly appreciate your prayers, and we are also looking for a good health insurance option for our family. During the latter part of the month, we held our **men's and ladies' meetings**. **Brother Jorge La Torre**, who was my youth pastor when I was a teenager, taught the men about how a husband should treat his wife. It was a great blessing. **Sister Russick** also taught the ladies about the chain of virtues presented in the book of Peter, encouraging them to consider spiritual growth in their lives. We also held our **missionary night** with **Pastor David Shapiama**, who studied in Puerto Rico and now serves the Lord in the Peruvian jungle.

His church has been a channel of blessing to us in the Amazon region whenever we have had the opportunity to minister there. We have begun dedicating some of our evening services to missions, praying for missionaries and encouraging one another to take part in the work of carrying the Gospel from Peru **unto the uttermost part of the earth**. We ended the month with grateful hearts. Although August was marked by several personal trials, it was also a month filled with teaching, fellowship, ministry, and opportunities to serve the Lord.



THANKSGIVING

We thank the Lord with all our hearts for every opportunity to serve Him during these months. Through times of joy and growth, as well as times of trial, we have seen His faithfulness and care. Thank you for faithfully standing with us in prayer and investing with us in the work of the Gospel.

Finally, we want to tell you how sincerely we appreciate the time you take to pray for missionaries! We ask you to remain faithful in interceding for all of us who are serving in the Lord's work; your prayers uphold us. We thank the Lord for His special care for His children! Your fervent prayers bring encouragement to our daily work, spiritual strength, and God's provision. Finally, brothers and sisters, I would like to ask you to continue remembering these specific requests in prayer during this new season God is giving us:

PRAYER REQUESTS

- **Need:** Provision for good health insurance for our family.
- **Health:** For my recovery and physical health, and for wisdom to make good decisions regarding my care.
- **Marriage:** For wisdom as parents to continue guiding our daughter Adaiah in the ways of the Lord.
- **Ministry:** For our church's upcoming missionary trip to Chiclayo in October, where our mission is located. We pray for this work and for all the necessary preparations for the trip.
 - Wisdom and renewed strength to continue working in our mission field in Peru.

Thank you very much for taking the time to read this report and for praying for our lives and the work the Lord has placed on my heart. Our desire is that God may always be glorified through the Gospel of Christ.

Sincerely,
Jairo & Anna María Villaseca.