

The Matsuda Family

Independent Baptist Missionaries to Arequipa, Peru

"For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building."
1 Corinthians 3:9



Greetings in the name of our precious Lord! It is our hope and prayer that you are all growing in the Lord and being used for His glory!

The month of February has been filled with many blessings.

New Programs and Sunday School Classes

During the first week of February, a lot of time was spent getting speakers set up, organizing classrooms, and getting everything situated in the new building that we are renting for church.

On Saturday, February 12, we started having our weekly ladies' and teens' programs. Between 5 and 7 ladies are arriving each week and they are excited about learning more. They are studying "Principles of a Christian Family." Most of these ladies come from very hard backgrounds and have no idea what God has outlined for the family. They are also memorizing the books of the Bible and are keeping each other accountable as they have taken on the challenge to read God's Word on their own each day. God seems to be working mightily on these ladies' hearts. Many of them are determined to start doing things God's way and we praise the Lord for this!

We are also having a weekly teens' program and having a very good group each week. Between 10 and 20 kids are coming each week! The teens are not only coming to the youth program on Saturdays, but they are also coming to the church services. They are also inviting their friends and neighbors, so there are new kids that are starting to come.

We have also started with 2 new Sunday School classes on Sunday mornings. My son Andy and daughter Katie are teaching the little children's class, my wife is teaching a teen girl class, and I am with the adults and teen boys. We are having approximately 40 people in attendance on Sunday mornings.

Retreat

In the last week of February, we had our very first youth retreat at church. 16 teens showed up! The retreat started on Friday evening and we had 2 different messages, lots of games, ping pong matches, and fellowship. One of the ladies from church prepared a big batch of soup for the teens. A young married couple from our church helped that evening as chaperones. The next morning, the kids had a devotional and then breakfast. We then had 2 more messages, as well as several competitions and games. Everything was over by noon and then everyone went home. The retreat seems to have been a blessing to the young people and a great encouragement to them to keep growing in the Lord.

Our Family

In February, we started the new school year as we homeschool our children. Andy is starting 7th grade, Katie is starting 5th grade, Kristie is starting 3rd grade, and Tommy is starting Kindergarten. Allie and Arthur, who are 2 and 1, keep things even busier! Our children are already such a blessing in the ministry here and we praise the Lord for them. Please keep our children and family in your prayers.



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Land Fund

Praise the Lord, different churches in the States have sent a total of \$6,040 dollars for the land fund. Our church had already saved \$4,600 dollars, and this past Sunday the brethren from our church promised to give an additional \$1,500 dollars over the next month.

Car Fund

As we have mentioned before, we are so thankful for the 12-passenger van the Lord has provided! It is always being used to pick up people and take them to church. Please continue to pray so we can finish paying off the \$19,800 that still remains.

Lord willing, next month, we will be having a baptism. Several people have asked to be baptized. We are very excited about what the Lord is doing and will continue to do! Thank you so much for being a part of what is happening here! We are so thankful for your support and prayers! May the Lord greatly bless you!

Your Servants in Christ,
Daniel Matsuda and Family
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