

# MATSUDA FAMILY

INDEPENDENT BAPTIST MISSIONARIES TO AREQUIPA, PERU

“Not because I desire a gift: but I desire fruit that may abound to your account.”

Philippians 4:17



January 2022

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- Spiritual growth of those wanting to be baptized
- New people who are attending
- Bible study in Yanque
- Provision to pay off car
- Provision to buy our own church building
- Our family

Dear Brethren in Christ,

We greet you in the name of our precious Lord! The first month of the year has proven to be extremely busy!

### The Move

Last month we were told that we had to leave the building that we have been renting for our church for the past year. Praise the Lord, we were able to find a 2-story house for rent that is within walking distance for most of the people attending. We will only be paying \$120 dollars a month, but it is in need of many repairs.

2 weeks ago, several of the men and teen boys started working on getting the building ready. There were walls to paint, walls to put in, tile to be replaced on the floor, etc. It was so encouraging how the people were willing and eager to work without me even asking them to!

On the last Saturday of January, 2 trucks came to help with the move. It was a very long day moving everything to the new building, but we were able to move out, clean the place, and turn the keys back over to the owners.

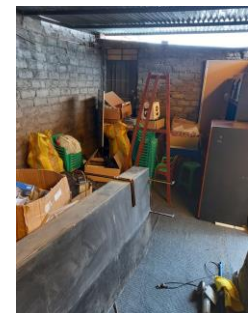
The next day, on January 30, we had an informal service in the morning and then worked all morning long on cleaning the new place, unpacking, and getting everything set up. We were very happy to see so many people show up to help!

This last Wednesday night, we had a very good crowd and several visitors as well. In the month of February, we will be starting back up with our youth and ladies' programs on Saturday mornings, and will also be starting up with new Sunday School classes on Sunday mornings. We are very excited about what the Lord has in store!

### Buying Land

We are hoping that the new house we are renting for church will be temporary. Over the past 5 years, we have been in 4 different locations. During quarantine because of Covid, we were not even able to meet for about a year, and yet we still had to pay rent the entire time. Because of all this, we are seriously praying about buying land for our church. I have been looking at several different options. Land in Arequipa is very expensive. I have found, however, a piece of land that seems very promising.

The land is 15 minutes away from the current building that we are renting. It is 477 square meters (which is approximately 5,134 square ft.) and they are asking \$16,000 dollars for it. Our church already has \$4,600 dollars saved up for this purpose. Please help us pray that the Lord would provide the remaining \$11,400 dollars. With this amount, we would be able to buy this piece of land, so that with time, little by little, we could start building on it.



This would be such a huge answer to prayer as we would no longer have to worry about constantly moving to a new location, paying rent, dealing with problems with the owner, etc.

If you have any questions about this, please contact me at [dana55@hotmail.com](mailto:dana55@hotmail.com) or over Facebook Messenger. If the Lord lays it on your heart to help, you can send a check to Brentwood Baptist Church Mission Account. Please include in the memo that it is for "Land Fund Arequipa." The address is: Brentwood Baptist Church, PO Box 13663, Roanoke, VA, 24036.

I will be sending out an Excel spreadsheet to anyone who requests it, so they can see how the Lord has provided so far.

Soon we will be launching a webpage for our ministry where I will be posting regular updates regarding this project.

### **Covid-19 in Peru**

We want to thank the brethren of Nampa Sovereign Grace Baptist Church for the support they are sending to help the brethren in Peru. With this money, we continue helping some pastors and missionaries who are in need. There are several pastors who have passed away from covid, and we are trying to help their families.

### **New Vehicle**

The car we were able to buy continues to be such a blessing in the ministry and to our family! For each church service, we are always transporting other people, and sometimes have up to 8 more besides our family! It has also been such a blessing for when we need to travel. Please continue to pray so we can finish paying off the \$20,000 that still remains.

### **Thank You**

We are so very thankful to every church and family that faithfully supports us and prays for us. We greatly appreciate everything you do for the Lord's work here. We want to extend a special thank-you to those who sent special offerings during the month of January. May God greatly bless you!

Your Servant in Christ,  
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