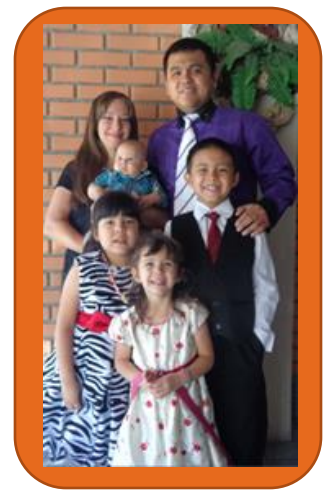


MATSUDA FAMILY

INDEPENDENT BAPTIST MISSIONARIES TO AREQUIPA, PERÚ

“If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honour.”

John 12:26



January and February 2018

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Our church, Family Baptist Church
- Spiritual and numerical growth in our congregation
- Our church's new programs and projects
- Our family's spiritual and financial needs

Dear Brethren,

It is always a privilege to greet you in the name of our Lord. It is our desire that our Father is blessing you, growing you, and using each of you according to His will.

Our Ministry in Arequipa

And we begin!

After a long and tiring process, we are finally in our new church building! We are so thankful to the Lord for opening all the doors and providing all our needs. It is amazing to see how God provides even beyond our needs. Thank you so very much for helping us with your prayers, your financial support and special love offerings!

We officially started our services in the new building in the month of February and we kicked everything off with an evangelistic revival. Every night we had different visitors. My wife's father, Missionary Paul Rose, preached for us and we had a wonderful time enjoying the messages from God's Word, as well as getting to visit with family. Glory to God, there were a few people who made professions of faith. Please keep these people in your prayers so that God will work in their hearts and lives. Their names are: Vicente (85 years old), Mrs. Garcia (55 years old), Carlos (28 years old), and Karina 11 years old. Vicente is the owner of the house that my family and I are renting. We are so excited to see what God is doing in his life. Ever since we moved the church building, he has not missed a single service. He has also let us park the mini-van that our church bought on his property without charging us anything for it. He owns a lot of farmland and different properties and has told us that he wants to sell 1,000 meters of land to our church. Please pray with us regarding this matter. He has not given us a price yet, but we trust that if this is God's will, He will provide. Mrs. Garcia is the mother of Edwin, who has been a faithful member of our church for several years. Since she has made a profession of faith, her husband has also started attending our church. God is very good and we are beyond excited to see what God has in store.

Special Programs

We want to ask you to please pray for different programs that we will be starting in the month of March. Lord willing, we will start working with children, adolescents and teens. Last year, we had to cancel our programs on Saturday mornings with the children and adolescents because there was a government order that everyone had to go to



Move and first service in the new building



Nights during our revival and the church's mini-van

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thankful to Him. Our 4 children are growing and learning more each day. All we can do is thank Him for His many blessings and love towards us. As always, we ask you to keep our family in your prayers.

I do have a special prayer request. My sister, Lourdes Matsuda, was pregnant and when she was 39 weeks along, her baby's heart suddenly stopped beating. She and her husband had to bury their baby girl one month ago, but they are still hurting and are obviously in a lot of pain. Please pray for them, especially for their salvation and for the comfort that only our Father can give. May God use this for His glory.

Thank You

We are so very grateful to every church, brother, sister and friend who has continued to support us financially and prayerfully. Thank you so very much and please continue to pray for us! You have no idea what an encouragement it is to know that we are not alone and that our brothers and sisters in Christ are praying for us.

school on Saturday mornings. To avoid any future problems, we will be having our programs on Saturday afternoons. We are looking forward to seeing God work in the children and young people in this area!

Discipleship Course

Lord willing, in the month of March, we will also start having discipleship classes with those who have made professions of faith. In this way, we can speak to them on a personal level and help them see for themselves what the Bible teaches about salvation, baptism, church membership, etc. I also plan on teaching a book entitled "What We Believe and Why" in our adult Sunday School class. It is our fervent desire to see our people grow in the Lord, understand and believe what the Bible teaches, and know how to defend what they believe.

Purchase of the Mini-Van

Glory to God, our church was able to buy the mini-van that we mentioned in our previous prayer letter. We have only had it for a month, but have already been putting it to good use! Before services, one of the brothers in our church has been driving a route to pick people up, as well as take people back home after our services. We want to extend a very special thank-you to Heritage Baptist Church and Newby Baptist Church for the special love offerings that they sent to buy the mini-van. What an encouragement this was to our church to see God provide the exact amount that we needed! Thank you so very much and may God greatly bless you for it!

New Work

It appears that God is opening the door to start a new work in an area that is about an hour away from us. One of the men who recently made a profession of faith has offered his land and asked us to preach there. On Sunday, March 4, a group from our church will go out there to look at the area. We are praying and asking God's guidance. If this is His will, soon we will start having Bible studies there. Please pray for this as well!

Our Family

God is always so good to us and always provides our needs. We are so

Your Servants in Christ,
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