

MATSUDA FAMILY

INDEPENDENT BAPTIST MISSIONARIES TO AREQUIPA, PERU

“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



May and June 2018

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Our church
- The spiritual growth of our brethren
- New Bible study in Cayma
- The possibility of buying a newer vehicle

Dear Brethren,

We greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! It is our prayer that you are doing well and growing in Him.

The Work in Arequipa

During the last two months, we have been busy with our regular programs and services, as well as some special programs. It is always a blessing to see God's hand in our midst!

May

In the month of May, we invited the parents of the children who have been coming to our Sunday School programs. 6 mothers came for the very first time, as well as one of the fathers. We were thrilled to be able to share the gospel with them and are praying that they will keep coming. Last Sunday, another mother of one of the boys who comes to Sunday School, came to church for the very first time. We are so excited to see the parents of our little ones starting to come.

June

The month of June was a very busy month, but it was filled with many blessings. I had the privilege of preaching at a youth conference in Philadelphia Baptist Church here in Arequipa. There were close to 100 young people there and it was encouraging to see so many teens there.

We also had our second evangelistic revival of the year with Missionary Vladimir Espinoza, who we are also supporting on a monthly basis. We were very thankful to have new visitors every night who were able to hear the gospel presented very clearly. Two young boys who come to Sunday School brought their mother for the very first time during this revival. Bro. Vicente, who is an 85-year-old man and who recently made a profession of faith, was out inviting people and brought his daughter every night of the revival. It is so encouraging seeing the people in our church trying to bring others to the Lord!

At the end of the revival, we gave out prizes to the ones who brought the most visitors. Bro. Edwin García (who is our youth leader), my son Andy, and Bro. Vicente were the three winners. Please keep them in your prayers as well, so that they will always serve the Lord!



Evangelistic Revival



Bro. Carlos' Baptism

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Just last week after our revival with Bro. Vladimir, I drove 10 hours (5 hours back and forth) to help him out because he was stranded on the side of the road. It would have been a nightmare trying to get it towed all the way back to Arequipa. We have taken the car to a couple different mechanics and they have told us that the main computer needs to be replaced, as well as the accelerator sensor, and other parts. The parts alone cost between \$1,000 and \$3,000 dollars (depending on whether we buy them new or used), and that is without calculating the mechanic's fees.

We have been using our 2007, 5-passenger Sedan, Nissan Almera for 7 years and have put approximately 150,000 kilometers on it. Being able to purchase this car with the offerings that many churches sent to us was such a huge blessing. It has been used in the ministry in so many ways: going to mission works, picking people up, transporting my family, moving to different cities, etc. We have been praying for a while that if it is God's will that He would provide a bigger car in His time, due to our growing family and needs in the ministry. Just a few months ago, we spent about \$700 dollars on repairs for the car. Now that our car is in need of such big repairs, instead of spending a considerable amount of money on an 11-year-old vehicle that is already too small for our family (with 4 kids and one of them in a car seat), we are praying that if it is God's will, He will provide for a bigger and newer vehicle. Having a vehicle in the ministry is definitely a need, especially if we begin a new work an hour away from where we live. Please pray that God's will be done in this matter. We know that if the Lord wants He can provide the money, whether it be to buy a new car or to get our car fixed. If God lays it on your heart to help, you will be a big answer to prayer! May God's will be done in this matter and may He be glorified.

Thank you!

We are so grateful to every church, brother, sister and friend who gives sacrificially, and supports us, both financially and through your prayers. Please don't stop! Please continue to pray that our Lord would be glorified in our lives and our church. May God greatly bless you!

Baptism

We also had the privilege of baptizing another brother in our church. Bro. Carlos Quispehuaman has been faithfully attending our church for the past year and a half and asked to be baptized about 3 weeks ago. We were able to baptize him in the ocean (even though it's wintertime here) and had a great time with our church. We praise the Lord for all that He is doing!

New Bible Study

During the month of July, we are hoping to start having Bible studies in an area called "Cayma," which is about an hour drive from where we are at. Brother Grimaldo Llamoca, whom we baptized a few months ago, has several relatives living in that area and has offered his land so that we can start a work there. We are excited about the opportunity to start preaching the gospel in this area and are praying that His will be done and that He would continue to use us according to His will. Please pray that more people will come to know the Lord, and that if it is His will, that a new work can be started in this area!



Our Family

Praise the Lord, our family is doing very well. In the month of June, we were also able to celebrate our youngest son's 1st birthday. My son, Peter Thomas, was born on my birthday, so we were able to celebrate together. We thank the Lord for His mercy and His many blessings!

Special Prayer Request

Last Friday as we were driving back home from the baptism of Brother Carlos, our car broke down. We were very thankful that it broke down a few blocks away from our house and not when we were far away from home.



Your Servants in Christ,
 Daniel Matsuda and Family
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