



## The Matsuda Family

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“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

Dear Brethren,

We greet you in the name of our great God, hoping that each of you are enjoying God's richest blessings!

By God's grace, we are still working in the city of Arequipa. During the month of August, we continued having our regular services and programs. We had to make the decision to temporarily cancel our children's program on Saturday mornings because the children can no longer come. There was a national teachers' strike and the public school teachers stopped teaching. Now that the strike is over, the public schools are having classes on Saturdays and sometimes even on Sundays to try to get the kids caught back up. We hope to start back up with our children's program once their school classes go back to normal and they do not have to study on Saturdays. This may not happen, however, until the school year ends, which would be in the month of December.



In the month of September we had our second evangelistic revival of the year. Missionary Miguel Gargate, one of the missionaries that our church started to support this year on a monthly basis, came all the way from Tingo Maria, a city in the Amazon jungle, to preach for us. He came with his wife and 1-year-old son. They had to travel about 12 hours to reach the city of Lima, and then get on a plane for the rest of the trip. It was such a blessing to have this revival and we were very excited to have several visitors each night who were able to hear the gospel presented in a very clear way.



By God's grace, my oldest son Andy, as well as two other people, made a profession of faith during our revival. My son has been struggling for a long time because he had realized that he was not a believer, but did not quite understand what it meant to believe in the Lord as His Savior. Needless to say, we have been praying that the Lord would grant him the gift of faith, as well as complete peace, which only the Lord can give. We are so happy and thankful to Him for His grace. A few other people also came forward wanting to consecrate their lives to the Lord. It truly was a blessed time for our church.



Please continue to pray so that God will bring growth to our church and add to our membership as He sees fit.

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We also want to ask you to pray in a special way for our family. Lord willing, during the month of October, our family will be moving to a different house. The house that we will be moving to will be much closer to the church building and is also located in the area where most of our church members live. We need approximately \$1,000 dollars for the move. We need \$800 dollars for one month of deposit and the first month of rent and we are calculating that we will spend about \$200 dollars to rent a truck and have all of our belongings moved. The contract with our current house ends on October 23, which is the day that we need to move to the new house. If the Lord lays it on your heart to help out with our moving expenses, we will be very grateful.

We want to thank every church, brother, sister and friend who supports us prayerfully and financially. We want to extend a very special thank-you to the brethren of Newby Baptist Church in Richmond, K.Y. for the special offering that was recently sent to us. It was a great blessing to our family and the ministry here. Thank you!

Please help us pray for the following:

1. Each of the people who made a profession of faith. Their names are Carlos (28 years old), Karina (10 years old) and my son Andy (8 years old).
2. The brethren who decided to dedicate and consecrate their lives to the Lord. Their names are Ciria, Jafet, Diego and Edwin García. Bro. Edwin has surrendered to the Lord's call to preach.
3. For each of our church services and programs.
4. For our financial needs for the move.
5. For the Lord to bless and provide for our family's and our church's economic needs.

As a side note, we would like to ask you to pray for our Spanish program. If you or someone you know needs to learn Spanish to be used in the ministry, please contact us. For additional information, our webpage is: <http://spanish4servants.com>

Once again, thank you so much for participating in the Lord's work here in Arequipa, Peru! May God greatly bless you!

Your Servants in Christ,  
Daniel Matsuda and Family  
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