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*Come and hear, all you who fear God
And I will declare what He has done for my soul.
~Psalm 66:16*

**"And he who was seated on the throne said,
"Behold, I am making all things new." Also
he said, "Write this down, for these words
are trustworthy and true.""**

~Revelation 21:5

Dear Friends,

Don't you just love January? I do! Every January is a new beginning, a tiny little foretaste of the new beginning we will enjoy with Jesus when He comes back for His church. It always feels especially new here in Peru because January and February are summer break down here in the Southern Hemisphere, which means school is out and I get to work from home. I love that!



Anniversary program and baptism at Filadelfia
Left to right: Jorge, Pastor Raul, Tony, Eydan, Uber, Ariana, Lorena, Mariela

three days (Friday night, Saturday night, and two services on Sunday) and included special music, skits, and testimonies. We also had the joy of baptizing six new believers. Three of them, Tony, Eydan, and Ariana, were from the youth group! Mariela, one of the ladies, is the mother of one of my Sunday School students. It's so exciting to see the Lord working in their lives! Please pray that 2024 will be as fruitful as 2023 so that we can also start off 2025 in this wonderful way.



Eleven years!

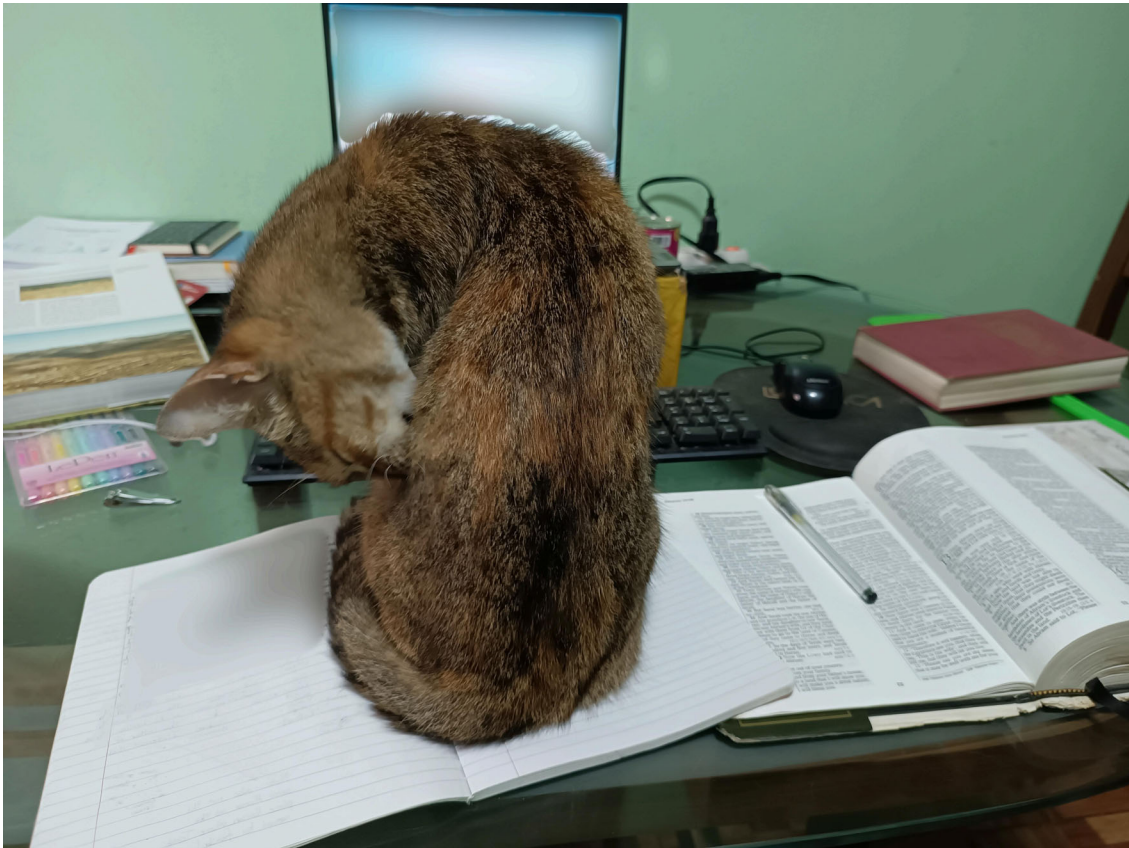
The Lord allowed us to celebrate our eleventh anniversary this year with a delicious steak dinner. It's hard to believe it's been eleven years already. Only by His grace, that's for sure!

January also saw us headed to the beach with the youth group. We always put our normal weekly youth group and Bible study meetings on hold during January and February because there's so much else going on, what with summer camps and travel and VBS, but fun outings like this one give us a way to stay in touch with our youth during these hectic summer months.



At the beach with the young adults.

10 or 11 at night! Meanwhile I've been working from home, trying to juggle preparing the school's English materials for next year with my online classes. I feel blessed beyond words to be able to study for a master's degree in counseling at Westminster Theological Seminary. The classes are incredibly difficult, but I am loving the challenge! Enya also loves having me home, and always does her best to "help" with whatever I'm working on.



Such a helpful kitty!

As we look forward to February, we will have a new set of opportunities for ministry. We will be travelling to the south of Chile for the first two weeks of February. One week will be helping in a summer camp there with one of Jorge's closest friends, and the other will be a little vacation to rest and recharge batteries before heading back to Lima and jumping into the new school year. We will also be doing a Vacation Bible School program at Filadelfia when we get back, so there will be lots going on!

Please join us in praising the Lord for everything He has done during January and for everything He will do in February. And please keep lifting us up in

that the youth we work with in Chile would be blessed through this summer camp. Pray that our week of vacation would be a time of great rest and refreshment, and that we would be ready to hit the ground running when we get back! And please do keep our upcoming ministries in your prayers, especially the VBS program and the start of the school year. We have an urgent need for English teachers at the school, so please pray that God would step in and fill that need as only He can.

Those who know me personally know how much I love words. (I'm that weird girl who reads the dictionary for fun!) But it's hard to find words to express how thankful we are for each of you. Your prayers and your financial support are an integral part of the ministry here in Peru, and we are so privileged to be able to work alongside you for the glory of God! We love you and appreciate you.

Rejoicing in Christ,

Jorge and Keesa

Prayer Requests:

PRAISE:

For Filadelfia's anniversary program

For the six new baptisms

For eleven years of marriage!

PRAY:

For safe travels

For the youth who will be at the summer camp

For rest and refreshment on vacation

For wise time management

For the school's English materials

For Keesa's online classes

For the upcoming VBS program

For the start of the school year and the urgent need for English teachers.

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