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Family*

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LOVE OF CHRIST
AROUND THE GLOBE**

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**News from Peru!!!
The Kuyay Talpuy girls are hard at work!**

We have heard good news from the Kuyay Talpuy team in Peru! Many of you have asked about what is happening to them and to the communities now that we have left. Well, do not despair! The good news is that the ministry continues and the girls are each working in their way to spread the Word and work in the communities they have been called to.

Tania and Luz and Rosio are continuing to work in the communities of Iscos, Patarcocha and Tinyari. They were able to work an agreement with a school in neighboring Chupaca that would allow them to continue running the Kuyay Talpuy preschool under the documentation of the other school!!! Praise Jesus!!! So the preschool is legit and the children all have the proper paperwork to get credit for being in school. To make this arrangement work, Luz is teaching in both places—she is working in the school in Chupaca three days a week and in the Iscos school two days. Rosio works in Iscos with Tania and the children on the days that Luz is not there. Tania is there every day.

Speaking of Tania - Tania is working in Iscos AND LIVING THERE! She decided that living in the community was the right

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**Tania with some of the new students
in the Kuyay Talpuy program in Iscos!**

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thing to do (Hallelujah!) and she now lives like we were living. She has a VERY modest sod house with very little furniture. In fact, she doesn't even have a bed. She was using an air mattress, but it had a hole. So she is now sleeping on a couple of couch cushions on the floor. She has a two burner table top stove and a couple of chairs. But, from her Facebook posts and emails to me, she is content and is very pleased with living among the people and the work that they are doing. She is continuing to lead bible studies and do home visits, as well.



Rosio is working with Tania three days a week. She is commuting from Huancayo (still living with her parents). She continues to do home visits with parents and community members, and to lead the small church plant in Patarcocha on Sundays. She and another person that she has brought in are continuing the work in Tinyari in the public school on Wednesdays.



Milagros has taken a job in the VRAE. She is the Director of a school (principal) and also has teaching responsibilities. The VRAE is a 'dangerous place' in that it is the area that continues to have active warfare

and drug trafficking and terrorism. Teachers are scarce. Milagros felt called to this area and wanted to spread the Kuyay Talpuy ministry to other areas of Peru. We are so proud of her. Please pray for her safety and strength every day!!!!

Johana is the only one that we have not personally heard from. We hear (via others) that she took a job in a Christian private preschool in Huancayo, working with a German woman who owns the school. When we hear more from her, we will let you know.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Louise Reimer, our missionary friend and colleague in Huancayo, for taking on the task of working with our girls and trying to help lead them forward. What a blessing to us and to the girls!

I would also ask that you prayerfully consider sending some form of support for Tania, Luz and Rosio. They are working with no funds. Tania is in the most desperate situation, as she is living alone with no outside help or funds at all... she relies on the community to feed her and take care of her needs, and that displays A LOT OF FAITH since this is a poor community!. Rosio only needs transportation money and a small amount to live on, since she continues to live with her parents. Luz is officially working for the other school part time and she supports a family of three. If you can spare even a small amount, that would be so helpful! Contact us for more info on how to send support through us or Louise Reimer for the Kuyay girls. billy@drumsforchrist.org or call 979-985-5238.

“In our lifetime, wouldn't it be sad if we spent more time washing dishes or swatting flies or mowing the yard or watching television than we do praying for world missions?”

~David Davidson

Pray for our visa process to move smoothly along and for the timing of all important issues to be perfect. This week, we are submitting our applications for visas to India (we will be training others there) and we continue to wait for our official letter from Spain saying that we can submit our application for our visa. This letter is crucial! No form, paper, or official document in our file can be more than 3 months old, so we are battling the clock. Once the official letter comes, we have to send the entire file to a certified translation service and then submit everything to the embassy in Houston. Pray that our passports work their way through the system at the India Embassy quickly, that our letter works its way through the Ministry of Justice in Spain quickly, that our file is translated and submitted before the end of the three month time period, and that all is approved!

Pray for our financial needs—we are currently speaking to individuals and churches to secure our financial support and prayer partners for our new deployment. Our new assignment will require a bit more in terms of budget, which increases our need for support. Please consider how you can help.

Pray for faithfulness and fruitfulness in our current work and transition time. We are training others, training ourselves, coaching and counseling others, and traveling to speak and teach. **Praises** that God is using us in ministry here in Texas while we wait to deploy again. (see article at top of page 3)

Working in our time of transition

We continue to work and minister, even though we are currently in a time of transition. Since leaving Peru, our lives have taken on a warp-speed likeness to the old Star Wars scenes. We have been on a whirlwind cycle of speaking engagements with churches, teaching classes and courses for Perspectives and for mission groups and churches, and traveling to various places, both national and international, to teach and speak and serve. In March, we headed cross country to speak and teach in Alabama and Florida, and to emcee a missions conference event held by The Mission Society. We are currently back in Texas, teaching two missions-based courses and planning for a short-term mission team training course that we will lead in May. We continue to visit with supporters and churches to raise our financial support level and awareness of the mission.



Right: A new group of students in the Kuyay Tal-puy program in Iscos during play time.



Although our physical bodies are not in our new location yet (see prayer requests page 2 regarding visa issues), we are already 'on-the-job' with our role as coaches and counselors for missionaries in other areas of the globe. We have been meeting with others and serving them via Skype, phone, and email. This is not the easiest way to do our job due to time zones and the lack of face-to-face time, but it is effective and we are able to meet the needs of counseling and coaching NOW and not wait until we are physically on the ground. When people need help or are in crisis, the crisis doesn't wait for visas to clear! So, we are making the best of this time of transition and we are moving forward in our work via the internet and technology! Hooray for technology!!!



Left: Our pig, Emma, had piglets!!! She now resides with Elva and Alfonso and is providing income and food for their family and the community.



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Laurie & Billy will be on
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Due to our changed schedule for departure from the USA to our new assignment, WE NOW HAVE MORE DATES AVAILABLE TO SPEAK AND VISIT! If we haven't visited your church or Sunday School class or small group and you would still like to hear from us, give us a call or send us an email and we will set up a date! And, of course, if you just want to meet one-on-one for coffee or a meal and just hang out and chat and catch up on life, WE WOULD LOVE TO VISIT WITH YOU!!!

Classes with The Drums!

The Drums are teaching two classes!

Tuesdays 6pm = Missions bible study
Thursdays 6pm = Global Missions Today

Visit the website at
www.drumsforchrist.org (Training tab) for
more info or call us 979-224-8571. We
would love to have you in our class!!!
Classes begin April 2 and April 4th, but
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