

Happy Christmas and Merry New Year from Tarapoto!!

Literally in Spanish it would come out as happy Christmas and prosperous new year. Feliz Navidad y Prospero Año Nuevo!!

As I was listening to the kids sing on Tuesday it almost brought tears to my eyes as they sang with all their heart. There have been 25 to 30 kids every week and we are so excited for this increase during a time when they haven't even been able to go to school for their education.



The teenage youth group has been a great blessing as well. We started it in July because we had four teens coming to church. We now have had sixteen or more come and at least twelve every Saturday. They have all brought friends and some have been coming to church and Bible study as well. This is such a great thing we see going on right before our eyes and it is so encouraging seeing the teens bring people into the church services.



We also started a food distribution once a month for the under privileged in the neighborhood. It is called Tonelado de Amor which is Tons of Love in English, we ask the church people to bring food items and then a group went out to give it away after the women divide it all into bags. They were able to pray for each family they went to and it was a blessing to everyone.



Josh has been preaching through Galatians on Sunday mornings and then I get to translate it into Spanish. It is really great! I am teaching through Romans on Wednesday evening Bible study and prayer meeting.



Thank you so much for your interest in the work here in Tarapoto and your faithful prayers and financial support. We are down to just three at home and doing fine. Jennifer does her school on the laptop and Lucas and Sarah are in Bible School in Wyoming. Lucas is planning to graduate on May 6th and Sarah has put in one semester already. Marcos and Allyson are living in Plano, Texas and washing windows for a living this year and doing an internship at Plano Bible Chapel.

Have a great Christmas season and God bless,

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