

# News from the Barrientos - Lima Peru

**Beloved,**

Lima, February 2010

This is Eva – taking the opportunity to write our letter to you this time. I have a great desire to express what these last months (December-January) have meant to my life and the life of my family. But before I do this, I want to greet you in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ and pray that His peace, love and provision be with you.

After having a year of activities, we decided to take some days of vacation to rest and spend Christmas with my parents in Nazca, 6 hours south of Lima. Our goal for these 4 days of vacation was to rest, spend time with family and go to the beach. When we got there, we saw that my parents were tired, my mom was sick with diabetes and her stamina was no good, the house was abandoned and they were depressed. Now, we needed to make a choice: 1) Close our eyes to the need and just think of ourselves and our vacation or 2) Offer a helping hand to relieve some of the stress and depression. Juan and I decided to help and this took us 4 weeks. We worked from very early in the morning till late at night, sometimes till 2 o'clock a.m. We did a lot of repairs to the house which was greatly affected by an earthquake 10 years ago. We finished everyday being very tired, but with a great satisfaction in our hearts for the opportunity that God had given us **“to honor our parents”**. I shared the need with my brothers and sisters. Some of them were able to help with the finances and we were able to finish 80% of the house.



One of the greatest needs was the need for potable water. Water comes there every two days for one hour. That meant that my father needed to run and collect as much water as he could. We were able to put in an underground cistern and pump the water to a tank on the second floor and from there divide it to the entire house. We wish you could have seen and experienced the joy in their faces once they understood what we were doing and the peace that my father had in knowing that he doesn't need to rush any more to collect water! Also, we were able to construct a new living room, a small dining room and a kitchen. This was my greatest reward: **Seeing them happy!!!**

## **I Have A Thankful Heart:**

1. **To God** - for giving me life to serve and honor my parents.
2. **To My Husband** - for telling me “Let's do it, Eva” and giving up his vacation to serve in an incredible way; taking advantage of any opportunity to share the Gospel with the owner of the hardware store and the bricklayer.
3. **To You** - for your faithful support morally, financially and through prayer. Thank you so much for helping us and enabling us to help others in great need; in this opportunity, it being my parents. I'm writing this letter with a lot of emotions and gratitude.

Meanwhile, the ministry here in Lima was going on as usual. The elders and missionaries were in charge of the church and the entire camp ministry. They did a great job.

**January 8-13 ► Kids Camp:** Anibal and Rocio Carazas were in charge of this camp with an excellent team of leaders. Around 60 kids attended camp and one of them that we brought from Nazca was the best camper of the week. His name is Bladimir and is now very encouraged in his Christian walk and wants to return next year with his group of friends.

**January 26-30 ► Teenage Camp:** Jorge and Jazmy Reynaga were in charge of this camp along with a great team of leaders. Around 42 adolescents attended the camp.

**February 9-13 ► Youth Camp:** Daniel and Sonia Perren were in charge of this camp and, again, with an excellent team of leaders.

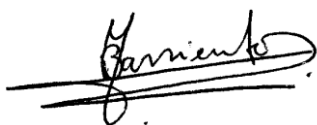
We thank the Lord for these camps. New people came for a week of camp and accepted Jesus as their personal Savior. Their lives were changed by the power of the Holy Spirit of God. Thank you again for having a significant part in this ministry. All glory and honor to our Lord and God!

We have been back in our house, church and ministry since February 3. We have a lot of work to do to prepare to receive a new year of classes for the La Roca Christian School. We are in need of building two new class rooms - to accommodate the third grade and a computer room. Right now, we have another room that we are using to supply the need for 18 third graders. We ask you to pray for God's provision for the future construction of the school. Classes will start March 8 and we ask you to pray for wisdom, patience and love for every teacher of La Roca Christian School. This year, we want to better our music class by making it theory but also practical. We would like to add violin and piano to this class. What do we need? For our violin classes we need 20 violins. A new one costs \$90, but it is almost impossible for some parents to pay this. If you have a secondhand one or you know people that have one that they are not using, would you please consider donating it for our class? We would appreciate this very much and you can know that the children are being taught music for the glory of God.

Beloved, I would like to continue to write but I don't want to make you tired with a lot of reading. Please pray for God's wisdom for us to administrate the entire ministry. Also, pray that our passion for souls will grow and that a lot of souls will be won this year for the honor of God. It is our goal to start a new church and establish three new home churches.

Many thanks for praying for us and for your faithful financial support to the work of God here in Peru. God will reward the work of love that you are doing in His name and for His glory. We love you and are praying for you.

**Till all will hear of the Savior,**



**Juan, Eva and Priscila Barrientos**