



Dear Praying Friends,

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In June 2009, I joined a co-ministry of La Roca Church solely focused on outreach and discipleship of teenagers at a location named **"Los Angeles"**. Initiated by Santiago Velasquez some years back as an outreach only to teen boys, the ministry has since grown and merged to include teen girls. Each Friday night, Santiago, Fanny, Marisol,



Williams and myself meet in a home of a Christian family from La Roca Church. Lessons of God, Scripture memorization and praise music sum our time with the teenagers. Opportunities such as these constantly deliver joy to my heart.



Recently, it was recommended that our leadership group begin a follow-up and discipleship program to support teens who regularly attend the Friday meetings. Since February 2010, two girls, Maxi and Mireydi (Mee-ray-dee) have amazed me with their steady spiritual growth. Importance of walking consistently with the Lord and standing alone in the midst of taunting peers are some of the topics covered in our moments together. Not long ago, Mireydi became involved in the Children's Ministry at La Roca. I watch with gladness as the children love and



trust her leadership. Three months have passed since I began discipling the girls. Many spiritual lessons have been learned, but I've also managed to do makeovers and show them how to bake cookies for their first time! I thank God for this unique ministry of guiding young lives for His Eternal Kingdom.

Exciting News!

- On May 9, 2010, I became a permanent resident of Peru.

Pictured are Ruth Barrientos (Juan's sister), Becky Riggs Gomez and myself.



- On May 22, 2010, Hannah Walker, my fellow missionary, married Jhonatan Huyhua (We-wah). I was honored to provide music for their beautiful wedding. Hannah continues her ministry of teaching English here in Peru. How happy I am for both of them!

I pray God's blessing on all of you. Thank you for your continued support. Thank you to all of you who pray and support me financially. I wouldn't be here without you! I thank the Lord that God has brought in almost all that is needed. You all are a continual encouragement. I think about you all often. God bless!

In His Service,

Elise Ricci