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Dear friends in Christ,

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In the second full week of December, we held what we call "Mission Integrity" for our radio ministry. This is an annual event that runs for 2 days. Probably the best way to describe it to you is to use the term "share-a-thon", although the event has a broader purpose than giving alone. Our church people give hours of the time to help and are heavily involved in serving.

We encourage our listeners to give, pray, call, and visit us during these two days. It is an exciting time when we meet a lot of our listeners and learn of the impact the Word of God has on their lives. We also shared how we are seeking to open 3 new radio stations in 2018. We challenge them to give and pray for these projects. It is humbling and encouraging to see people respond. Wish you could have heard the many callers who shared their moving testimonies and expressions of gratitude. This side of heaven, we will never get to meet most of them.

We requested special prayer for two men we want to see come to Christ. Their names are Erich and Michel. I wish we could share the good news that they have been saved. But that has not happened. They both were so close, but now it appears they have cooled in their consideration of our Lord.

Wilmer, who works in programming at the radio, just recently informed us that he is leaving. Wow, will we miss him! He is a great blessing to us and a godly young man. So now we are praying and trying to fill the big gap he will leave. Every single person who works with us does a lot. So when we lose one, it places a bigger load on the rest.

As most of you know, our church in Lima meets in the building of another sister Baptist church. While we are very grateful to even have a place to meet, this puts great limitations on our church. We continue to pray and save for a property of our own.

So here are some simple prayer requests:

1. Progress on the 3 new radio stations to be built.
2. The salvation of Erich and Michel. Keep praying.
3. More help for our radio ministry staff.
4. A permanent place for us to meet as a church family.

Now for the really good news! Jesus took upon Himself flesh, was made a man, died for us and rose again from the dead in punishment for our sin making forgiveness possible. What a message we have! So simple, yet so profound. Salvation so costly, yet free. So clear to some, yet hard to see for so many.

Thank you for praying for us. Thank you for giving so we can be here to give the good news here in Peru. We pray likewise for you as you give the good news to others there.

Ruth and I want to wish all of you a wonderful Christmas as you celebrate our Lord's first coming and look forward to His coming again. Merry Christmas to all.

For Christ's glory,
Stanley and Ruth Templeton