

Dear Co-laborers,

We openly recognize last year was a very hard year for us. We had trial, after trial, and it seemed like we were not going to see an end of it. We walked through the doors the Lord opened, but also hit our noses on the doors God shut. But through it all, we tried to be faithful to what we felt that God called us to do. The things we tried in our own strength did not grow and we were not able to move forward, at least we did not think we could move forward. And now we know why.

The Lord is opening opportunities for us that we didn't think possible. A missionary family was returning to their home country at the end of last year and asked us if we were interested in taking over their NGO. It takes many years of red tape paperwork to get one established in Perú, but they offered to transfer it over to us to help us in our ministry endeavors. It is a TREMENDOUS blessing to us as we move forward. Lord willing, in the next few weeks, we will have that transferred into our names.

Over the last few months, God has opened doors to grow our ministry of training. In January, Patrick was asked by 3 men to start training them for the ministry. One wants to be an evangelist, two other feel called to be pastors. Patrick has been offering classes as if they are attending seminary. Not only that, but the Bible studies have also grown to extend to the families, and we have been asked to meet on Sunday mornings in our house. So, we are now holding a service in our apartment on Sunday mornings. The hunger to learn and grow is palpable. We are humbled to be a part of what God is doing in their lives.

Teresa has also completed facilitating over 60 hours of trauma healing. The Lord has opened doors in hurting hearts, and she is now mentoring 4 others to start using this in their own ministries all around the world. She has been asked to host more classes and has been offered a space to host classes in person (as well as host classes via zoom), while we search for a space of our own.

Not only that, but after 14 years of praying about starting a school, we will finally be able to do just that NEXT MONTH. January 19th, a local pastor and his wife sat on the

other side of our dining room table, explaining how they have connections with legal paperwork to open a school but it has to be in March. They were going to try and do it on their own, but they told us they realized they didn't have the training nor the skills necessary, but they knew we did. After multiple failed attempts at starting our own school, God brought one to us. What a great God we have.

The pastor has legal permission for a small start, but it will have room to grow. Their desire for this year is to introduce a hybrid of homeschooling and traditional school because there is only one month to prepare the rooms, get security, prepare the administration, curriculum, and all the other necessary things to do. The prayer is that the Lord will allow this to grow and by next year, it can be established as a full school. This past week, we have been working hard to find curriculum, find security cameras, think about how to prepare the space the church has offered to use as "classrooms." It is intimidating but we have peace that this is what God wants us to do.

BUT we need your help to make this possible. Our first request is for two beautiful children. There are two children who live at the end of the street from the church. They've basically been abandoned, but their parents refuse to let them go nor care for them. The church provides showers and food, but we have been unable to help with their education as their parents pulled them from school recently because they couldn't be bothered to fulfill the school's requirements to keep them enrolled.

We would like to have them participate in the school so they can receive a good, Christ-centered education. Due to the hybrid nature of the school and since they have both been kicked out of public schools, we are asking for sponsors who would be willing to support them monthly to participate in our school, as well as have a tutor to help them catch up and not fall behind. The cost will be about \$150 a month each for ten months. Would you consider helping change their lives and sponsor the monthly cost for their schooling? (Pictures below)

Since the Peruvian school schedule is March to December, we have many upfront costs to begin NEXT MONTH. That means the month of February will be filled with painting, buying curriculums, finding school supplies/desks, and training parents/teachers. We have experienced a lot of costs already with our car breaking down (we were tricked into buying a car with a transmission problem) and other unexpected expenses this past month. We also still want to have a church plant for our growing Bible studies, but we simply do not have the funds for everything. Just the security system alone for the school costs \$1,000. So, we must ask directly: will you help us with the cost of starting a school? We ask boldly to see how the Lord provides.

As we reflect, we know this is the river in our desert. Last year was a hard, learning year for us. We had to learn to stop forcing things and just let God work through us. For those of you who were faithful to encourage us, we cannot thank you enough. Your

prayers carried us through some very difficult times. We are still praying that the Lord allows these ministries to grow, since a lot can happen in a short time with the Lord. Thank you all for your financial support.

We wish to say thank you again for your faithfulness to us this past year. We love to communicate and are eager to hear from you. Please feel free to reach out to us via email at Trulyisplenteous@gmail.com or through our Facebook page at "Pruetts in Perú" or on Instagram at Pruetts_in_Peru. From the bottom of our hearts, we are thankful for your endless prayer support. Your prayers are so precious to us and we are so blessed to have prayer partners like you. We cannot do what God has asked us to do without you. Thank you!















