# THE STOVER FAMILY

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It is hard to believe that we are already 2 months into the new year. As time "flies by," we must value every day. Psalm 90:12 says, "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." As we value each day, we must ask God for His wisdom from His Word to use our time according to His will! We thank you for your prayers for us as the days have flown by this summer. God has been working in a mighty way through the various outreach opportunities we have been given.

### Coming up...

-In March we begin our new semester of Bible Institute. This term with be held in modular form. Please pray for me as I teach in April.

-The final week of March leading up to Easter Sunday we will be having an evangelistic conference. Please pray for salvation decisions to be made.

-Please continue to pray for Sara as she is in the home stretch. Our baby girl is due in May.

### **Church Anniversary**

We had a great time celebrating Calvary Baptist Church's 19 years of preaching the Gospel here in Tacna. We were privileged to have Bro. Fred Kindhart from MWBM here with us during this time and his messages and fellowship were a great blessing to us. <u>We were excited that</u> <u>Estefani and her entire family were able to come on Sunday morning of the</u> conference, and that one teenage girl from our church trusted Christ.

## **Deaf Conference**

The following week, we had our first Deaf Conference/Training for both hearing people wanting to learn sign language and deaf people wanting to learn more about the church and the things of God. Esteban Ramirez from Arequipa was with us during this time leading the classes. We were encouraged to be able to meet many deaf people from here in Tacna. The Lord has opened doors for our fellow-laborer Beth Homan to begin a deaf ministry out of our church. Please pray that many deaf people would be reached for Christ.

#### Youth Camp

February 13-17 we held our 2nd annual youth camp with about 50 campers. Pastor Juan Pacheco from Arequipa came to preach for the night services. The theme for this year was "Decisions," and many young people made decisions to follow and serve Christ with their lives. <u>At least 3 also</u> <u>made professions of faith in Christ.</u> Praise the Lord!

#### Vacation Bible School

This year we formed 3 teams of workers and were able to conduct VBS in three different locations at the same time. There was a great spirit among the workers, and with fewer folks at each spot, much more opportunity for people to step up and serve. More than 100 children were reached, and some new children have already come to church on the bus routes. Many of our church's current youth group began coming to church through this ministry. We are praying for fruit and growth as we continue to work to teach and train these young people.

Thank you for your kindness through prayers and finances.

Your Servants for Christ in Tacna,



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