

# The Stover Family

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MISSIONARIES TO PERÚ



Jeremiah 15:16b states, "and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart." When we consider and study God's Word, it gives us a joyful and rejoicing heart. Jeremiah had a rather bleak message to give to the children of Israel, but he rejoiced because it was God's message. May the Lord help us to rejoice in the Word of God and encourage others to do the same as we share the Lord's message.

## Upcoming Events

With our team of 5 churches we are planning:

- Ladies Conference  
Oct. 26-28
- Men's meeting Nov. 11
- Teen camp Feb. 13-17

As a church we are planning our 2nd missions conference Nov. 17-19 and are working on a Christmas cantata to be presented to the community on Dec. 23. Please pray for God to use us to share the Gospel in these different ministry opportunities.

Please pray with us about the need to purchase a new vehicle for our family and to use for the church "bus" route. We estimate it will cost around \$15,000.

## Home!

We had a smooth trip and arrived home on August 23. We are settled back in to homeschooling and ministry schedule. What an encouragement to see faithfulness and God's blessing in the church in our absence.

## Ministries

Several men in the church helped to construct some temporary classrooms on the new property, and October 1, we began holding Sunday school with classes for adults, teens, and children.

We have continued to hold children's Bible clubs Friday and Saturday afternoons and a teen meeting on Saturday evenings. God has blessed with increased attendance in these ministries. The teenagers recently had a spring banquet where they were to invite friends. Seven new young people and two mothers came and heard the Gospel presented. Please pray for fruit from these ministries.

*Please continue to pray for the salvation of Mirta, José Luis, Feliciano,*

*Rosa, and for the children of Julia who recently passed away.*

## Memorial Service

October 7, we held a memorial service for Bethany Homan, our coworker who passed away from cancer in July. It was a time of remembrance with a video, photos, special music, and testimonies. I was able to bring the challenge using the idea, "*She hath done what she could.*" Beth's passion was to see a Christian school started in our city. We are waiting to see how to best proceed with school construction on the property Beth was able to purchase. I have taken Beth's place as the school's representative and look forward to seeing what the Lord will do to advance this worthy cause. I will be contacting you all with more detailed information in the near future, Lord-willing.

## Praise:

After several years of waiting, we have finally seen some advancement in Josiah and Lydia's paperwork!

We appreciate your prayers for wisdom and direction for our family and ministry here in Tacna. We could not work and minister without your help and support.

Rejoicing in the Lord's Word,  
*Robert & Sara Stover and Family*



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