

THE ROOT. VERSION 44. NOVEMBER-DECEMBER.2023

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6

Praise God for all His many BLESSINGS throughout this year! Christmas time is such a special time of the year as the world prepares to celebrate the birth of our Savior and Lord, JESUS CHRIST!

We wanted to send a letter of thanks to you and to share some of the ministry highlights for 2023. We are FOREVER thankful for your ongoing partnership with Rooted In Grace & Love. This year the ministry faced some difficulties with the Peruvian president being removed from office, leading to an ongoing political crisis and months of dangerous protesting. BUT EVEN IN THE MIDST OF THESE UNFORESEEN CHALLENGES, the Lord opened many new doors for Rooted In Grace & Love to continue to minister from village to village.

Early in 2023, five hundred school backpacks filled with mandatory school supplies were given to help students return to school. Project HOPE (the daily feeding and discipling of 200 high school students resumed this year and many of these teenagers have put their trust this year in JESUS CHRIST. Three village ministries have grown to approximately 450 adults and youth who gather weekly to study God's Word. The construction of a new church building in Tara-Tara is still underway as we celebrate the provisions of the new roof, windows, and doors. During this year, hundreds of



families were reached with much needed food and supplies and heard the greatest story ever told about how our Savior, JESUS CHRIST, gave His life so we could have eternal life.

Our eyes have unfortunately seen more and more teen girls and boys suffering from physical and sexual abuse. Pray as girls in Peru continue to be taken and trafficked. Young girls are being forced into prostitution and suffer from aborting their unwanted babies. Our mission is praying for God to lead us as a new year approaches. We will be celebrating 10 years as a non-profit mission in 2024. Please join us daily in praying for all the ministries and for MANY to come to know JESUS CHRIST as their LORD AND SAVIOR. We appreciate your faithfulness in supporting this mission ~ THANK YOU, THANK YOU for continuous love and heart for helping us share the GOOD NEWS.

# PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR 2023-2024

### **2023 PROJECT HOPE: CHRISTMAS OUTREACH**

Please join us in praying for our upcoming Christmas outreach. We will begin distributing baskets to families who have been participating in our weekly Bible studies. Many of them are struggling, but are faithful in gathering weekly to study God's Word. Pray for many to put their trust in JESUS CHRIST.

### 2024 PROJECT HOPE: BACKPACK MINISTRY

Please join us in prayer as we begin distributing backpacks to 1000 students early in 2024. Each backpack will cost \$50 and will be filled with necessary school supplies, food, and a new Bible. Pray for the team as they identify families and students in the greatest need.

### 2024 PROJECT HOPE: HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE MINISTRY

Please pray for our student ministry to help feed and disciple 200 high school students, and in 2024, 100 additional college students. This ministry will open for its 4th year in March of 2024. Pray as we will be providing 1500 meals a week and approximately 54,000 meals for the full school year. Pray as we are working with directors to expand this ministry to the local college aged students. Please pray for the Lord's guidance as we select the students who will be participating.



# 2024 PROJECT HOPE: VILLAGE MINISTRIES & REACHING 100 FAMILIES A MONTH

Join us all in praying for the discipleship village ministries weekly in 3 areas: Ccoccua, Taratara & Limbatambo. Pray as we work with the local pastors and pray for the 450 adults and youth that are attending each week. Lord willing, we HOPE to reach 50 new families a month with the GOOD NEWS of Jesus Christ in new villages.

#### 2024 NEW PROJECT HOPE MINISTRY: SAFE HOUSE FOR GIRLS

This new project was born due to the need to be able to cover and help young women & teenagers in situations of vulnerability for various reasons, such as orphaned parents or abandonment, who do not have a home to live in and are completely unprotected. This project intends to provide them with a home with safe, clean living conditions. In addition, our hope is to teach them day by day the great need to know more about our Heavenly Father and educate them with Christian values and principles.

# 2024 PROJECT HOPE: CARING FOR ORPHANS, WIDOWS & THE ELDERLY

Many widows are struggling and so many elderly are in desperate situations. Pray for the children who have been abandoned. We are continuing to help support two local orphanages in Cachora and Urubamba. <u>Pray for God to give us wisdom and guidance for the elderly and orphans.</u>

Join us in praying again as we begin a new year, the 10th Anniversary Year of Rooted In Grace & Love. We covet your prayers, love, and support as we seek to bring the everlasting HOPE, found only in JESUS CHRIST, to the people in Peru.

If you would like more information on partnering with us through a mission trip or other ways you can help support the ministry, please contact crissy.heath@rootedingraceandlove.org.

Your tax-deductible donations are greatly appreciated and can be made to:

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