



A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER February 2022

Welcome to the 2nd Edition of the Isaiah Projects Monthly. Each month we hope to share a little of how God is using this organization to impact the lives of those in need. If you know someone who could benefit from hearing our stories please feel free to share this email with them.

OUR UNSUNG HEROES

Each month we plan to share the story of one of our unsung heroes, the people who are the hands and feet of Jesus in this broken world. This month I want to introduce you to Juan Romero Roca, an amazingly hard-working artisan and construction guru, who toils tirelessly both inside and outside of the church to share God's love with those around him. I love Juan's heart for God and his tireless efforts to help others. Juan took a pay cut to come and work for Isaiah Projects and he is so worthy of being our first unsung hero.



Here are some images of Juan Romero and Roberth Alviz (another unsung hero) responding as needed during the pandemic.

HELP IN THE WORK OF MAINTENANCE OF THE CHURCHES

This year, due to the covid-19 pandemic, churches have been closed to reduce infections. So many of the churches needed maintenance in different areas that were required. In these cases we have been blessed to be able to support them in this work, so that the churches are in good condition until the churches are reopened.





FUMIGATIONS OF THE HOUSEHOLDS OF BROTHERS AND PASTORS WHO HAVE BEEN INFECTED BY COVID-19

In this second year that he is facing this covid-19 pandemic, many pastors and brothers have been infected by this virus. There was a need to fumigate their homes in order to eliminate the virus so that their relatives can return to their homes peacefully without fear of being infected. For this work, all biosafety means have been used to protect ourselves from this disease.

PUERTO MALDONADO - HOUSE HOME THE GOOD SEED

It was a blessing to be able to go to the home of the good seed to be able to do some repairs and maintenance in the house. It was possible to repair the electrical installations, change the roof, the bathrooms, unclog the shower drain and put the ceiling of the missing ceiling.



By the Numbers...

372 is the number of email addresses the January edition of the IProjects Monthly Newsletter was sent to. **236** are the number of people who opened the email. **44** is the number of people who opted in to receive the Feb issue! It's a start!! **17,577** equals the number of **\$\$** that our amazing donors donated in January. Thank you! **3** is the number of new feeding programs we hope to add in March. They will be added in Yurimaguas, Satipo and Pachacutec

(our second site there). **500** is the number of families I am hoping that we will be able to bless with a food package between now and the end of the year. You can read about this new initiative in a feature article below.

Congratulations!!!

Congratulations to Carlos and Rosario Ponce, our missionaries in Cuba, on the birth of a grand-daughter, Angelica. Son and daughter-in-law, Daniel and Maylis are doing well in Spain where the baby was born.



Angelica, may God
bless you and keep
you. Welcome to this
world!

A NEW YEAR AND A NEW CHALLENGE!!

Tackling Food Insecurity

Growing up many of us were fortunate enough to come from a home with parents who were great providers so we never had to deal with the issue of food insecurity. In short, we never had to wonder where our next meal was coming from. Sadly the same cannot be said for many of the people who live in the communities that we serve. This is especially true as a result of the worsening conditions created by the pandemic. People who were already living at the margins have found it even harder to make ends meet. Widows, orphans, seniors and children have been impacted the most.

To respond to this growing need, Isaiah Projects is launching a three pronged approach to helping fight the issue of food insecurity:

- 1) delivering Food Packages for Families
- 2) growing our Feeding Programs

3) developing the farm land we own outside Puerto Maldonado, Peru.

To learn more about this initiative click [here](#)

To donate to this initiative click [here](#)

A message from the Executive Director

It's time!

If you are anything like me you are living in a place that is made up of 3 parts Covid fatigue, 1 part February blahs with a healthy pinch of winter blues thrown in! It is not a great place to be, but rather than complain I have decided to take matters into my hands and to do something about it. After two years of putting life on hold I have decided to go to Peru. I am booked to visit our team there from March 23rd to May 5th (6 wonderful weeks) and I cannot express how excited I am at the thought of interacting with everyone there whom I hold so near and dear to my heart. I know that maintaining social distancing is going to be a real challenge initially (o.k. I admit it I am a natural born hugger) but that is a calculated risk that I am prepared to take. I am triple vaccinated and will be taking a healthy supply of KN95 masks with me; I am going to be well prepared. Thinking of KN95 masks, a huge thank you to Lisa Lam for procuring the masks and donating 20 dozen for me to distribute while I am there.

So why Now?

If you have read through the rest of this newsletter you will know that God has laid it on my heart to make 2022 the year to help address food insecurity. I am not naïve enough to believe we are in any way tackling the issue of world hunger, but Isaiah Projects has never been about that; it has always been a grassroots movement of a small number of committed people who realize that by helping even one person we are making a significant difference. For the 500 families that I have targeted to help, and the kids who will attend our feeding programs now and in the future, we will have answered Jesus' call to share our food with those in need. As with any initiative I launch, Wendy and I want to demonstrate our commitment by making a donation in support of the program. We have covered the first three food packages for families now and will re-visit the initiative throughout the year making additional investments. I would invite each of you to consider joining us by making a commitment, however small, to help at some point in 2022.

In my six weeks in Peru I am planning to visit many of our feeding program sites including the two in Pachacutec (the churches run by Pastora Magaly and Pastor Javier Colonia), and the programs in Haucho and Carabylo. I will be travelling to Satipo to see the new program we are introducing there, and to Yurimaguas to visit Geiner and observe the new program there also. I am praying for a good response to the Food Insecurity Program so that I can also distribute at least 100 family food packages during these visits. Finally I will be in Puerto Maldonado for about two and a half weeks working on how we can better use the land we possess to grow produce that can help supplement these programs. It will be an exciting six weeks and I am pondering whether to blog the whole experience so that I can share how God is working through our ministry. If you would read a blog like this please let me know, it would definitely help me in my decision making.

Until next month!

Warmly,

Alan

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