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Project Nehemiah Update

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Greetings! We are travelling to England on home assignment this month and will have the privilege of seeing some of you. We would like to thank you in advance for your welcome and hospitality. We look forward to sharing our news, catching up with yours, and reflecting together on the grace of God working in all our lives. We can hardly wait to revisit some of our favourite places, reconnect with family and friends, and enjoy British cuisine! **Please pray** for safety, good health, and renewed strength as we travel.

Training Days

We hosted three days of training at our Nauta training centre in May as opposed to a week (see photo) – having fewer days is far more cost effective and enabled us to really focus in on key topics. We had 15 students in attendance and learned about Leadership in the Bible, Family Dynamics, Sermon Preparation and Creation Care. Felix was the main speaker and did an excellent job looking at the leadership styles of Abraham, Moses, Deborah and many others. Using our training material, he did extensive research and shared simply and clearly, with students giving good feedback. The students also made use of the new library we have at the centre, much to our delight. They explored Bible commentaries and gathered material for teaching in their churches. **Please join us in giving thanks to God for this!**



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We also have some good news. The perimeter wall of the centre which collapsed last September due to heavy rains, is now being reinforced with steel beams and concrete to prevent future damage (see photo). This was made possible by your generous giving to the BMS Relief Fund, providing the finances to purchase materials and pay for labour. Rainy season has now passed and the risk of weather putting a stop to the work has greatly reduced.

We made several attempts to find skilful and trustworthy workers to complete Project Nehemiah and had repeated setbacks, because the people we were engaging with to take on the work were often not being honest with us. We finally managed to get the project overseen by a resident of La Union where the centre is situated. Local builders are completing the job. **Please pray** for the safety of the builders and residents while the work is being done, that it will be completed to a high standard and there would be no delays in its progress.



Prayer requests

Please would you also pray that the Peruvian Baptist Convention and the churches of Iquitos and Nauta, working together with Pastor Luis and Felix, will have God's grace and creativity to sustain the centre and continue to serve through the provision of high-quality training for church leaders and others in the region.

Ephesians 2:10 'For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago'.

It is amazing how with your prayers, we have been enabled to work with others to do so much good together! Thank you for your faithfulness.

With love from the Mahons

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