

Missionaries to Perú

Growing up as a missionary kid, I remember moving frequently, adapting to new cultures, new situations, attending new schools, and learning new languages. Constant *change* was one of the few things in life that didn't *change*.

Today, it appears that not much has *changed* since I was a missionary kid. Not too long ago we announced that we would move to **Costa Rica** for language school training prior to **Peru**. In the interim, Alicia and I were assessed for two days by MTW leadership and approved to be missionary team leaders - meaning that we can now recruit and lead a team of missionaries to work with us in the work in Peru. Being approved and taking on this additional leadership position is a tremendous honor for us, and we pray it will lead to the gospel having a greater reach throughout Peru.

Part of the approval process also came with an understanding that I would undergo leadership training while Alicia is in language school in Costa Rica. Unfortunately, enrollment for language school in Costa Rica would not begin for another five months. As we were considering how to best use the time between now and when the new semester would begin in Costa Rica, we were informed of a year-long opportunity in **Bogota, Colombia** which would meet both of our needs: Alicia's for language training and mine for leadership training. It is also flexible enough

that we can start our training as soon as we arrive.

It is our prayer that you, our friends who pray for us and support us so faithfully, would continue to stand with us as the Lord leads us through this time in Colombia and then in Peru. We believe, without a doubt, that this time in Colombia will equip us with tools that will help us learn how to work on a team, and gain the proper training in how to lead our own. Of course, this time will also give Alicia a specific and directed time of learning Spanish.

Please pray for us as we recruit a missionary team, and as I begin to take on these new responsibilities. We are excited about this opportunity to serve and learn for a year in Colombia, but are also eager to begin our ministry in Peru.



Colombia

If you are able to contribute a one-time gift this month, please email us. As soon as we meet our budget we can buy plane tickets!

In Christ,

Nathaniel (and Alicia Gutierrez)

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prayer section

1. Please pray for my mother. She has been through many cancer treatments and is now waiting on the Lord's will.
2. Praise God with us for all the year-end giving and pray that our remaining needs would come in soon!
3. Please pray that our move to Colombia will be seamless and that the final details and visas will come together.
4. Please pray for a place to live in Colombia (and all the furnishings we will need).
5. Pray for us as we say good-byes to family and friends here in the US.