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Matt. 9:37 "Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is truly plentiful, but the laborers are few".

We would like to thank you for your prayers, encouragement in the Lord, and financial support this past year. May the Lord bless you and keep you through these difficult times, knowing that He is in control. May you be blessed in the following testimonies of two more of our 4th year students.



Maritza is a hard-working, thoughtful, God-honoring young lady. She has been a dedicated student learning God's word and then applying what she has learned to various children's ministries. She has been a very big help to the missionaries on campus especially Rachel who Maritza has been a reliable and dependable worker. It is a joy to see Maritza serve God and seek his will for her life.

My name is **Maritza** Muñoz Huamani, I was born on February 26, 2000 in a non-Christian family. I am the last of five children and I am from Apurimac- Curahuasi, Perú. During all my childhood I lived with my parents until I was 9 years old. Once, as a family we went to the Baptist Church. My father professed to be a believer, but we did not see the changes in his life, and we continued going to church until now. Sometime later he left the house and that is when my parents got divorced. All that time, well almost all my life, I lived thinking that nobody wants me until I was 16 years old. I grew up with a grudge against my father, and other people. I can clearly remember my rebelliousness, disobedience and walking in the pleasures of this world. I was disobedient; I simply did not respect my mother, since there was only the two of us.

In the year 2013, I arrived at a Christian camp. From that time, I decided to go to the church. I also wanted to study at SEBIC. Years went by and I finished my high school in 2016. I had different plans, but God is good, and the most incredible thing happened in 2017. I was ready to travel to the Christian Camp in Urubamba as I always do every year. That week I understood very well, the message of salvation. I was really on my way to hell. Without God I could not do anything, and I cannot do anything, but there was a hope in Christ that He had died for my sins on the cross. He shed His blood, His precious blood and all that only for me. On January 19 I accepted Christ as my only Savior, and that very week I made the decision to study in the seminary. I wanted to know more about my Savior and also to serve Him for all that He did for me. So, I entered the seminary, during these years I saw how God was molding me and will continue molding me in His image and likeness. At SEBIC I met wonderful servants who are serving God. I learned from them lots of things seeing their lives. I am so grateful because of this place. ***Continued on page 2***

My desire is to be a missionary or wife of a missionary to the Quechuas. I want to go to the province of Antabamba, its population of 11,310 is in the department of Apurimac. The truth is that there are no Baptist churches in these places. I see so much need, children, women, and men. Actually, the harvest is great but those who want to work are few (Mt 9: 37-38). Knowing that the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ is near, and there are many souls who are going to hell, to eternal condemnation and that will be their eternal suffering.

Maritza ~ PRAYER REQUESTS

- . To do God's will in every decision.
- . People of Antabamba who need a healthy doctrine.



I will always remember **Julio** with the biggest smile of anybody I know. He takes his smiling attitude and has applied it to serving God on campus, in the churches, and in the classroom throughout his time at SEBIC. His improvement as a student has been substantial. As he grew in a personal way closer to God, his desire to know His Word increased dramatically and he became a serious student. I am excited to see how God uses Julio in the years ahead.

HOW GOD CHANGED MY LIFE ~ MY LIFE BEFORE I MET CHRIST

My name is **Julio** Edison Chipa Valverde and I am from the District of Curahuasi, Province of Abancay, Department of Apurimac. I was born in a Christian family. My parents are believers; my father is an example for me. What I can remember about my father is that every morning he would do his devotion. He would share with us what he learned in his devotional. He would talk to us about the gospel since we were little. I remember he would take us to church since we were little. I lived with my parents since I was little until I was 12. After that, I finished school. I went to study, away from my family and my community. I studied in a High school where my mother's family lived. I lived with my uncles, with my grandparents until I finished my high school, and from time to time I went home on the weekends. At the age of 18 I finished my schooling in the year 2012. After finishing high school, I went back home with my parents. Then, I decided to leave home again to work. When I left my house, I had a goal to work for a year and then return to my town. But it was not like that, I worked only six months and returned home. I worked on the farm helping my father. While there, my father encouraged me to go to church and always told me to follow in the Lord's way like my father. At that time, I decided to go to church. "One Sunday the Pastor invited those who wanted to receive Christ and I raised my hand. After the service we stayed in the church with Pastor Grimaldo Ojeda and he spoke to me about the gospel, that there were two paths, between which a person should choose which way to go. The narrow way that leads to eternal life, and the other wide way that leads to eternal death. So, I decided to choose the narrow way. After choosing, the pastor told me: "You have to ask God for forgiveness of your sin," and I asked for forgiveness, and then I asked Christ to come into my heart. Then we finished and left the church, it was in the year 2015 and I was also baptized. I also worked one year in my church as a secretary. That's how I was working, I remember the year 2016 when the seminary students came and encouraged me to study at SEBIC. In the year 2017, Pastor Juan Quispe arrived at the church of Solvario and Pastor Juan was just starting his ministry and he told me that he had studied in SEBIC as well. He also encouraged me a lot to be able to prepare myself to serve the Lord, so I came to study at SEBIC.

LIFE IN SEBIC I came to the seminary in 2017 when I was 22 years old. In my first year I had difficulty and struggle in my study because I did not know anything about the word of God. I did not understand the books I read. I was practically an unbeliever and could not understand the plan of salvation.

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Julio continued ~The Bible helped me to examine my life. The classes that really helped me was Discipleship and Personal Evangelism. I also listened to many sermons in the chapel, devotions in our room and examined my life which was really unsaved. I finished the first year and went home and was with my family and then returned to SEBIC. When I was in the second year of my studies, I knew I was still in doubt about my salvation. I thought about things that really frustrated me in my life and I had no peace and I came to the point of deciding that I really was not saved. On July 9, 2018 I had a truly conversion with Christ and I remember clearly that that night I had to give devotion in my room. The passage that I was going to share was (Acts 3: 12-26), this passage speaks of Simon Peter and John who were going to the temple. We saw Peter preaching and his message was focused on the Messiah. Peter was preaching to the Israelites about how they had denied the Messiah who was the author of the life and that they had crucified. I finished giving the devotional and Pastor Humberto was present and heard clearly the message I shared that night. Then Pastor Humberto went to (Acts 4: 1-4) and he showed us how Peter was taken to prison until the next day. Pastor Humberto said, with Peter's message many had converted to Christ and there were a number of 5000 people. This passage encouraged me to give my life to Christ. The Pastor ended with a prayer and after devotional time I said to Pastor Humberto "I want to accept Christ". He helped me to accept Christ and Pastor Humberto showed me other passages that spoke of how to receive Christ and also explained to me the doubt that I had in my life does not come from faith but is sin (Romans 14: 23).

From that day on, my life changed. I could understand the Word of God and then I went on vacation to my town. I was baptized on August 5, 2018 in the church of Solvario where I always attended before. Now I am growing every day in my spiritual life. And now I'm in 4th year, I remember that from 1st year to 4th year it was not easy. But it was a battle and struggle during these years and I'm still struggling, and I still have to reach the goal. I'm still struggling until I reach the goal I set and I'm achieving it with God's help.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE AFTER FINISHING SEBIC My plans after finishing my 4th year are to return to my town and serve in my area. Since I left my town my purpose was always to return and serve the Lord as a Pastor and before taking the leadership as a Pastor. The first thing I want to do is get married and having a wife. I want to start the ministry that God will give me. I know that God will give me the wife in due time, and I am praying to the Lord.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- I pray that God will continue to empower me for His ministry.
- Pray for my future wife.
- Pray for a woman that loves the ministry.
- Pray that God would use me in my area to be able to work full time in the ministry.
- Pray for the many purposes I have in my life, that God would fulfill them in a way that is in line with His will. (Psalms 138:8).

THANKSGIVING

- I thank Pastor Patrick for the work he gave us during the four years he was at SEBIC and may our God bless him abundantly.
- I thank the seminary principals who gave us this privilege to study at SEBIC and all who are part of this place.
- I thank all the pastors who gave us the teaching during the four years at SEBIC.

Perú Update: The look of quarantine in Peru has had many changes. The most recent one was that the quarantine status was lifted, however churches would not be able to hold services in their buildings and schools are not in session face to face. We are thankful for the many Pastors and churches that were able to hold online services throughout the quarantine to feed the Flock through these difficult times. We read that the outreaches/food distribution held by the missionaries in Peru are being fruitful PTL.

Praises

God's faithfulness during the pandemic and for those coming to the knowledge of the Savior, Jesus Christ.

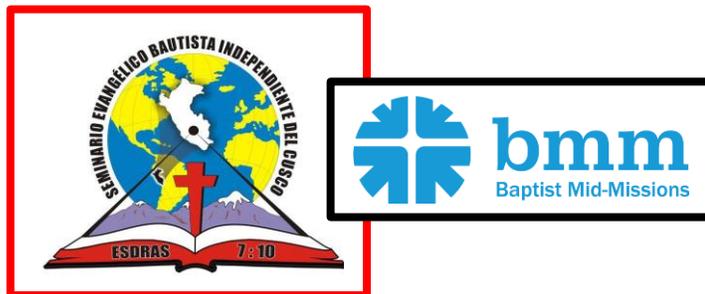
Prayer Requests

To continue to go before the SEBIC students and that they finish the school year strong.

Classes will end in October and graduation will take place for the 4th year students. Please pray for the students as they return home (provided that transportation is available) and to be a part of ministry as the quarantine allows, possible work, and funds to continue their studies at SEBIC in 2021.

Please PRAY for the ongoing outreaches held across Peru and for the missionaries and their ministry team. Pray for the HARVEST, God is at work.

Matthew 9:38 “ Therefore, pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest”.



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