How BIG is our God?

"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen." Ephesians 3:20-21

Dearest Friends, August 2023

Grace and peace to all of you for God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. I praise God for all of you and pray that you continue to trust in the only One who can really do exactly what you need for Him to do in a way that will exceed your wildest imaginations!

The size of our faith is determined by the size of our God. If you put limits on God (yes, we often do that) and we limit His ability to do the miraculous in and through us. Throughout these past years, we have put our hope and our trust in our limitless God. He has shown us time and time again that He is the God that continually works beyond all that we can ask! He has led us and provided in ways that leave no doubt that it has been God and God alone that has done it. Otherwise, we may think more highly of ourselves and look to share in the glory (Isaiah 42:8)!

We have continued to ask God to use the ministry of camp more than ever. He has been answering our prayers! Over the past month we had our mid-year season at La Montaña and we hosted over 2000 kids! We also hosted our 5 amazing summer interns under the leadership of our US Director Ray Schwartz! We haven't had a month like this one for over 10 years. God can do more than we can ask or imagine you ask? Yes!

As we look to the remainder of this year and into 2024, we want to invite you to continue praying with us that Good would call the young people of Costa Rica and Latin America to Himself. Pray for other like-minded ministries to join the work of evangelizing our youth for Christ! Believe with us that God can and will exceed our expectations and that our lofty goals in Him will be overwhelmed by more blessing in this ministry that we can imagine! Pray that He will continue to abundantly provide for the future expansion of our facilities. Next month we will be sending out our pictorial that will highlight these exciting projects of which are to add 80 more beds to our lower campus, a new maintenance Center aimed at better service to our lodge guests and the expansion of our sports complex that will make room for more day camp guests. All of this is aimed at reaching more young people with the love of Christ! Hell is hot and time is short!

To each of you, I thank you so very much for your continued generosity toward this valuable work. We see every gift as a reminder that what we do matters and that He truly does provide in ways that exceed our wildest expectations. May the Lord bless you for your faithfulness, generosity and prayers!

Humbled to serve the King,

Joe & Lori Pent Ray and Marjie Schwartz

p.s. Donations in Joe's memory can continue to be made through our webpage at www.lama4youth.org/donations and select "send a kid to camp"