

*“Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’ ‘The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’” **Matthew 25:37-40***

Dearest Friends,

February 2024

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from our Lord Jesus Christ! I am so thankful for each of you and pray that as you continue to lift up this ministry with your prayers and support, that the Lord would return to you 100-fold that which you so lovingly give us. We have accomplished a great deal together and I am looking forward to continuing this valuable work!

In May 2023, my father and the founder of LAMA and La Montaña Christian Camps passed away. In his honor we made a request that in lieu of any gifts that donations could be made so that we could offer a camp once more to the impoverished young people of the Bribri Indian tribes of Talamanca, Costa Rica. Some gifts were received both in the US as well as in Costa Rica so from July 22-26 of this year, we are going to have a camp for this marginalized group. We have enough funding for 120 campers. We would like to double this amount because the interest and the need is there!

Our hope is that you would prayerfully consider an additional gift toward this camp and for these wonderful young people. For \$100 per camper, you can make an eternal difference in a young person's life. These kids don't have a lot to hope for in their lives and a week at camp will truly make a difference in each one that has an opportunity to attend. We need \$15,000 more to realize our goal and with your help we can get there together! Send one kid or send 10 campers because all of the funds will go directly to making sure we send the most kids that we can to camp!

The most exciting thing for us at camp is that as we prepare to receive another group from the Bribri tribes, the ones who will be accompanying these kids as cabin leaders and additional staff are the same kids that came to one of the previous camps that we did for them! Camp changed their lives and in turn impacted their futures! As the above scripture states, for every life that your generosity enables us to impact it will be recorded in your eternal account in addition to all of the things you did for the least of these! These kids held a very special place in dad's heart and he would be blessed to know that we will be doing this once more for them.

From all of us at LAMA and La Montaña Christian Camps, thank you for your faithful prayers and generous support. We experience so much love and encouragement from you and it fills our hearts with hope that "He who began a good work in us will carry it to completion in Christ Jesus! (Phil. 1:6) God bless and prosper you all!!

Praising God for each of you,

Joseph and Lori Pent
Ray and Marjie Schwartz
Manases Padilla and Ana Viera

If you would like to make a donation toward the July 22-26 Bribri camp, the please log on to our website: www.lama4youth.org/donate and select "send a kid to camp" and the amount of your gift.

THANK YOU!