I Am Not Ashamed

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile." **Romans 1:16**

Dearest Friends, November 2023

I pray that as you read this short update that you would be living in the fullness of our Lord's mercy and grace. He is so good and He gives good gifts to those who love and serve Him. If what you are living in right now is good or bad it matters not. Fix your eyes on Him, for all things are used by Him to bring us exactly what we need at the time when we need it! Amen!

These past couple of months have been a real testament to the Lord's hand over La Montaña! Our calendar has been full and group after group comment on how impactful their time at camp has been. At the back of the chapel, we have a huge chalk board that is filled every week with the testimonies of the kids that came to camp that week! We need to make it bigger, because God is doing amazing things in the lives of so many! We are no ashamed of the Gospel!

We recently ordered another 2500 Bibles from the Costa Rica Bible society and had them delivered to our San Jose offices as we prepare for the next surge of young people that will be meeting Christ for the first time at camp! The power of the message of the cross is more important than ever for this generation, and it is a real blessing to place a copy of the written word in each of their hands! There is no telling the impact that these Bibles will have over the course of each of these kid's lives as they encounter the ups and downs of life and learn to tap into the powerful resource of God's word! If you would like to donate toward purchasing more Bibles you can do that on our website at lama4youth.org/donate.

I would like you to be praying for our new camp directors as they are in the US raising their support to become full-time missionaries through LAMA. Friends, Manases and Ana and their daughter Eliza are the next generation leaders for our ministry. I am so excited about them and I want to invite you to be praying for them as they grown into their new role. If you would like, you can also take them on financially. Aside from supporting a fabulous couple, it will alleviate the La Montaña finances by having 2 senior leaders draw their support from LAMA! That's more dollars toward ensuring the lowest cost possible for our campers!

Lastly, I would like to remind you of the donations that we are requesting in order to do one more camp for the Bribri Indian tribe young people in Joe Pent Sr's memory. We are only \$5000 from reaching our goal of \$15,000. You can help us send these 150 campers to camp next July with any amount you are able to afford!!

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.

Until All have heard,

Joe & Lori Pent Ray and Marjie Schwartz