

NEW HOPE MINISTRIES

...thou (LORD) are the helper of the fatherless...

(Ps. 10:14)

David and Debbie Bolos... Missionaries to Peru March 2011



Greetings to you all from David and Debbie Bolos and our family, the Peruvian Christians and all the children of New Hope in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! *“Behold, I am the Lord, the God of all flesh; is there anything too hard for me...”*

Jeremiah 32:27. What a great question is placed before us by our God, the Creator of all! Is there anything too hard for the Lord? As I think about the children of New Hope and about my own life, is there any limit in the power and works of my God? Is there any request He cannot answer, any burden He cannot carry? Is there any prayer humbly spoken that He simply cannot hear? Is He not the same God of Jeremiah 33:3 who spoke and said simply, “Call unto me and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things that thou knowest not?” I know in my own life I have doubted so many times and lived in my own frustrations. I know many times I have given up hope and thought my God had simply

forsaken me. But again and again He has taught me there is nothing too hard for our God, for truly He is the Creator and Savior of all mankind!



An Update on Augusto!!

I would like to give you an update now on Augusto. In all honesty, as we have seen in Jeremiah 32:27, there is nothing too difficult for our God, for to Him be all the glory!

It was back approx. 18 months ago when we asked for help and prayer for Augusto. He was facing major emergency surgery in Lima as his scoliosis had progressed and affected his breathing. Our God was merciful as many, many responded with prayers and financial help, making it possible for us to send Augusto for surgery to the Hospital de Ninos in Lima, Peru. It was there at the hospital where Augusto had two surgical procedures, his spine was cut and metal rods were placed in his back to help correct his scoliosis. He spent over nine months in the hospital, much of it in severe pain, as he endured months of rehabilitation. But there is a part of the story of Augusto’s hospitalization we want to tell you about that we find incredible even today, several months later! This is what happened...

After his second surgery, wintertime and cold weather hit Lima, Peru. The hospital there had no heating system and many children became ill. We did the best we could to keep Augusto warm, but he was weakened from the surgery and came down with pneumonia, and was placed along with 12 other children (who also had pneumonia) in intensive care. Day after day his condition worsened until we began to lose hope he would improve. One by one the children in intensive care succumbed and died from their sickness, and we honestly thought that any day Augusto would be next. He spent nearly two months in intensive care, until our God in his grace spared his life and Augusto's health began to improve little by little.



When Augusto was finally taken upstairs to his hospital room the nurses cried out in tears, “el es un milagro (it is a miracle!)”, because all the other children in the intensive care unit died from pneumonia except for Augusto! Augusto returned home here to New Hope, and this past weekend was very special for him. You see, **this past Sunday we took Augusto in his wheelchair to our church for the first time in over 18 months!** Needless to say he was mobbed by our people! He held onto his Bible and though he is unable to talk, greeted everyone with his hands stretched out and clapped during the song service! Is there anything too hard for our Lord? Thank you all so much. Augusto is in intensive therapy and everyday is improving! We also have just received a special gift from a dear friend and we are looking into taking him to Chile for a second opinion there to see why he is unable to walk. He still has no feeling in his left side. But we know our God is faithful in all He has done and continues to do in the lives of the children here at New Hope!

Friendship Baptist Church...

These last few weeks have been extremely exciting at our church! We just finished a week of special services and each night our church was full! It is hard to remember such a Spirit as we felt during this time. Also, every Sunday Evening here in our church during the month of February our young people have taken charge of the service with special singing, dramas, and preaching! This week we are holding our VBS, with the young men and woman of our church decorating, and teaching in the services. Also, we have begun visiting in an area called VILLA where we have seen dozens of adults, teenagers and children coming to our church on Sunday's. Also our teens have just returned from their mission trip to Bolivia and we are planning a mission trip to Puno in August. There is so much to do and so many people to reach. Please, pray for the Peruvian Christians and the work our God has given in their hands. Also, next week the new school year officially begins here in Peru and we are in need of purchasing notebooks, uniforms, pens, pencils, erasers, and an endless amount of other school supplies for 50 + children! Imagine this!

We spoke last month about forming an organization in the states called New Hope Children's Ministries. Along with our Pastor, we formed this non-profit to help with the support and organization of our children's home here in Peru. We plan to get back to you all this month with more information as we just have not had time to do so in February. With 47 children in our home and nearly 90 other children that have grown up in New Hope (many who are now married with children of their own) and others working or studying outside of the home, we need so much wisdom in the decisions we make. Thank you so much for your love and prayers for our family, our children at New Hope and the Peruvian Christians.

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