

Hola from Lima (a.k.a. the furnace!)

In the midst of wondering which things may be my last here in Peru, I have also been having some firsts!

For the first time I've had to buy a fan to have a chance of sleeping at night; the extended heatwave has been very draining.

My new Peru Bucket List has a few 'firsts' I am trying to cross off... I have watched a live volleyball match for the first time, and loved it! Another fab thing was my first time learning to do embroidery from the Ayacucho region of Peru.

Also, for the first time, I am now part of the Latin Link Peru leadership team! Yes, it is a bit strange given my circumstances, but I felt led by God to continue with my nomination and during our annual conference I was voted in. And with that came another first- we are trying out a shared leadership model, as nobody felt they could accept the role of Team Leader. An added twist is that we now have only three of us on the team, Hannah, Jerson and myself, when the usual number has been four or five. Plus Hannah will be in the UK for four months, leaving us two newbies to hold the fort! It is a good thing God has been speaking to me and encouraging me, especially through Isaiah 43: 1-3 / 18-19...



Ticking things off my Peru bucket list!

But now, this is what the Lord says—he who created you Jacob, he who formed you Israel:

Do not fear for I have redeemed you't have summoned you by name; you are mine.

When you pass through the waters. I will be with you'

and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you.

When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze.

For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour

Forget the former things: do not dwell on the past.

See I am doing a new things Now it springs up: do you not perceive it?

I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.

Cook at all the amazing things God says!



Leading the prayer sessions at the Latin Link conference & our 500 new books in Buena Tierra!

New things

We can often be afraid of new things, but when God is in charge and leading the way, I believe we have to go for it! In this new role, I am recognising the privilege it is and I'm feeling the burden to pray for and care for my Latin Link family. I have begun to ask, 'what kind of leader do I want to be?' So, I would greatly appreciate your prayers as I learn what this leadership role will look like and figure out how God wants to grow and develop me in this time, (however much time that might be, still no definite answers).

Buena Tierra also has some new things... 500 of them! Praise God we were able to print five different titles for four different age groups. I set up a pre-sales option on our web page and loads of people have been signing up to buy them. We've probably sold two-thirds in two weeks! Amen! I am now working on the next books to send to the printers.

We have begun the process of looking for a new home for Buena Tierra, and <u>your prayers are needed for</u> guidance and clarity about who would be best for this new thing in our ongoing journey.

Our lovely Latin Link Peru team, with Suzanne Potter, Latin Link International Leader (though we greatly missed five of our teammates)



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