

CALL TO PRAYER

MAY 2021



HOME AT LAST

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In answer to Vadim's prayer to finally live with a family who loves him, several years ago the government granted him permission to leave the state home under the care of a Christian couple who had ministered to him and the other residents for years. Praise God—today Vadim is flourishing. He enjoys having a loving family, a church home, and many friends.

Recently, he was reminiscing about life in the state home. He talked about a boom box we had given him, along with tapes of Christian music. We remember that he frequently asked for help to get it repaired because he kept dropping it. Our team recalls how frustrating it was for us and that we often wondered if it was worth repairing.

Vadim shared details about that situation we never knew—he used to

take the boom box into the wards of bedridden residents, who had almost no contact with people, and played Christian music for them! We are still stunned by that story. Vadim could walk only with great difficulty and was always unsteady on his feet; no wonder he kept dropping it! A team member would often drive to the home to fix the boom box, and we wondered if it was worth the effort—and all the while Vadim was using it to minister to others who had almost no one to care about them. What an incredible heart he has to look around him and find people in need, sharing with them his few possessions.

Pray for Vadim's health and family—and that he will continue to find ways to share Christ's love with those around him.

| by an Alliance international worker

PRAY FOR PEACE IN MYANMAR

Continue to pray for Myanmar (Burma), where there have been severe, ongoing clashes between the military and pro-democracy demonstrators. As of April 19, 737 protesters and bystanders have been killed in the post-coup crackdown, according to the Assistance Association for Political Prisoners, which tracks casualties and arrests. Growing numbers of people have been displaced by the violence, threatening a catastrophic refugee crisis.

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While conflicts started in Myanmar's largest cities after a February 1 coup, the violence has spread to provincial and rural areas where many minority groups live. A large number of people living near the border fled into Thailand as airstrikes targeted their villages.

Alliance partners in Myanmar are in grave danger. At this writing, the city where our primary partner's office is located remains in the crossfire; on April 7 attacks increased significantly as 11 civilians were killed. Local fellowships and outreach activities have been suspended. People still cannot work, and the price of necessities is skyrocketing.

Communication avenues, from internet to satellite, have been shut down as well as the banking system, making it impossible to assist the people in Myanmar with needed relief aid.

Pray for the safety and protection of Alliance fellowships and other Alliance work in Myanmar. Pray that the violence will cease and that these fellowships will be able to safely resume their outreach activities to their devastated communities during this uncertain and tumultuous time. Pray for peace and stability to return to the country and that communication and banking infrastructures will reopen.

LATIN AMERICA YOUTH MINISTRY CELEBRATES MILESTONE

This year marks the 15th anniversary of Inca Link—a dream that became

a reality in March 2006. Alliance international workers Rich and Elisa Brown had a vision born in the heart of God—to reach Latin America's 300 million youth with the irresistible love of Christ. To that end, they began Inca Link International, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that resources, equips, and empowers national Inca Link organizations to evangelize young people throughout Latin America—80 percent of whom remain unreached.

Currently, Inca Link hosts Alliance Envision sites in five countries. Through outreaches such as children's homes, garbage dump ministries, a crisis pregnancy center, and much more, Inca Link workers and teams have shared the gospel with 2.2 million people—and over 150,000 have come to faith in Christ! National Inca Link organizations are involved in evangelism and discipleship, leadership training, and compassion ministries. "We are devoted to helping the needy in Latin America," Rich and Elisa exclaim.

In a blog post commemorating Inca Link's anniversary, the couple wrote, "Will you celebrate with us as we thank God for 15 years of serving in Peru, Ecuador, Colombia, Honduras, and Costa Rica? We have so much to thank God for."

The Browns believe that the Holy Spirit is calling them to expand Inca Link's mission by launching in 10 new countries over the next 10 years. Pray for them as they follow God's leading in this new vision.



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