

poco a poco

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“Moses said to the Lord, ‘O Lord, I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor since you have spoken to your servant. I am slow of speech and tongue.’ The Lord said to him, **“Who gave man his mouth? Who makes him deaf or mute? Who gives him sight or makes him blind? Is it not I, the LORD? Now go; I will help you speak and will teach you what to say.”**
EXODUS 4: 10-11

Many times in the past couple of months, we have felt like Moses in this passage, weak, slow of speech and unable to even form a correct sentence in Spanish. These verses are a great encouragement as we are reminded that God is the one who redeemed us, called us to be His and has called us here to Peru to share the Gospel with the children at risk here. He will give us the words to say and strengthen us for His own glory. *Please continue to pray for us as each day we are consumed by the language learning process, that God would open our minds and enable us to learn quickly so that our communication can become smooth and comfortable.*

There is a common phrase here that we have embraced- “poco a poco.” It literally means, “little by little.” People say it to us all the time as we talk to them about the language learning process and about our family transitioning to a new country and culture. Every one here is so gracious to us, patiently listening to our Spanish and helping us to figure out the words we are trying to say. We have been incredibly blessed by our teachers at the language school and the friends we have made along the way. *Thank you for your prayers for us as our hearts ache to get into full-time ministry, but as we recognize our desperate need to have a good handle on the language before we head to Lima to begin the work God has called us to.*



Concho has become a great friend and takes care of Bella for us while we are at school.

ONE, TWO, CINCO.....

Kayla and Bella are doing great! Kayla is really enjoying going to preschool every day and is picking up Spanish really quickly. Sometimes, it is a little confusing learning words in two languages. This is how she counts right now- “one, two, cinco...” *Please continue to pray for our girls as they continue to adjust to living here.*

You are a great blessing to us! Thank you for your continued prayers.

By His Grace Alone,

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