Developing practical training courses for third world missionaries

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## "Are You Kidding Me Right Now?"

I was already thirsty for more of God when I stumbled across Francis Chan on YouTube recently. His life and words inspire me to drink deeply. This guy is the real deal, genuine, transparent, so in love with God that it radiates—gushes, drenching all those around him. I want that. I need to be overwhelmed by His love for me, and I long to love Him back with every fiber of my being. Imagine! God chases me with His love. Me! God Almighty, Creator and Sustainer of the universe, invites me—and you—into His very presence and wants to spend time with us! How amazing is that! When we wake up each morning, is our first thought a typical Francis Chanian "Are you kidding me right now?! I get a personal invitation for a one-on-one with the King of Kings?!" What vibrant worship that should inspire! Oh to worship God always from the depths of my being! Pray that the drive to experience God deeply never wanes, only increases. Pray for me to be continually transfixed and transformed by His love, so that flawed and broken though I be, I might be a better conduit of Him to the world around me!



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## Progress In Finding An Outlet For Robert's Courses

In our last newsletter, we asked for prayer for God's direction for the distribution of Robert's courses and opportunities for serving further in a training capacity. Several of you suggested ministries that he might be able to link up with. He has done extensive research on them and has had numerous lengthy conversations with representatives of some of the ministries that you recommended. One that seems especially promising is an online missionary training school based out of Costa Rica that offers training at the certificate, diploma, and masters levels. Talks are continuing with them but they seem very interested and it looks like they might be a good fit for the type of training Robert is putting together. We will see where the Lord takes this!

## Ashaninka Update

Thank you to all who contributed to the Ashaninka Video Project! The camera has been purchased and the scripts for a couple of Bible stories (David and Goliath, and Joseph, for starters) have been written and translated into Ashaninka to be made into short videos. Children of the village of Churingaveni will play the parts of the different biblical characters. Practices are being held from 4-6 p.m. every Wednesday starting the first week of

January. The team plans to film the videos right there in Churingaveni where they are still waiting out the country's covid lock-down. Please pray that the work will progress well and have a big impact on the Ashaninka people.



In other Churingaveni news, Christian villagers recently worked together to replace the roof on the church. They also came together to reconstruct the home of a villager after it burned down in a wind storm. The women kept everyone fed. (See below)



## **Praise and Prayer**

- Praise for progress in finding an outlet for Robert's courses for training third world missionaries. Pray for ongoing talks.
- Praise for Ashaninkas with a heart for their people.
  Pray for the Video Project to make good progress and have a big impact..
- Pray for a vibrant intimate walk with God for all who read this letter, and for each member of our extended families.
- God tells us that hard times are coming in the last days. I believe we are now living in the end times. Pray that all of us and each of our family members will cling to the truth of God's Word no matter what.
- Pray for those around the world who are suffering intense persecution for their faith.
- Pray for those grieving or suffering as a result of the virus, lockdown, or violence.
- Pray for our leaders. Pray for peace and a revival in our country and around the world.