

The Lacoursiere Link



Serving the Lord in Peru with Christians In Action

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Reflections ...and Expectations

*Hello, everyone! The dates are set and the tickets are paid for!
...but first, we'd like to reflect a bit on this past year.*



This past year has been filled with fun times, happy and sad times, and inspiring moments. We arrived in Canada in time to get in on the last preps for our twin son Josh's & (wife) Ashley's wedding! It was a fun time together, with family & friends from both sides! Then we started looking for a house after having enjoying the first weeks with Ruth's brother Dan & Hilda. We were generously offered a house on Fairfield Island. A beautiful place, it came with fruit trees and a beautiful flower garden and lawn, and lots of space to host friends ...and then family at Christmas!



*Becky both survived **and** did well studying Grade 12 in a foreign culture ...Canada!! Then, after lots of looking, she also found summer employment! In September she will start her first year of university here.*

Seeing Canadian wildlife has been special too!

It's been a blessing to be involved in our home churches and meet people there and others across B.C!

The winter snows were really enjoyed by Ruth, and Dennis had fun with the shovel. It was a treat for us to have all our kids around at Christmas time. Peter and Heather finally made it after having a forced mini-vacation together in Calgary for two days.

In January, Dennis had a bit of a parenthesis, thanks to a needed gall bladder operation! We are grateful to the Lord that he recovered well and quickly.

***Our third Plant & Garden Sale** (every furlough/home leave) went well, thanks to all who helped!! We learned more plant names and facts and had the fun of doing it with family and friends. We look forward to putting those funds to good use with Youth and kids for His kingdom!*

A Pastors Retreat on Keets Island was a highlight for us. A new learning experience was to learn how to comb hair with a toothbrush! ...But more importantly for me (Ruth), it was to want to aspire to have a 'Mary like' heart for Jesus, coupled with the industriousness of Martha!



Ruth had fun being part of Eden's Girls Club ministry (at her home church) and gaining new perspectives and vision.

It's been a year of loss as well in the way of people going on to their 'forever home'. Bucky, Tom, Mauricio, and Emilio are some connected to family and to our work down in Peru, as well as other friends here in Canada.

...Wow! Already on page two! And we were planning for a one-pager.

In short, we have received so much this year from the Lord, and also from each of you, in ways you might not realize. Thank you so much!!



The adult Andean condor, *Vultur gryphus*, can grow to nearly 50 in. long with a wingspread of 9 to 10 ft.

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Now it's time for us to return to Peru, our 8th trip back since married in 1982! We leave the evening of Sept. 13th, and should be in Arequipa on the 15th or 16th. We value your prayers for the trip as well as for our first several weeks as we prepare, meet, coordinate and discern the Lord's will for us to get back into His work there. Jaime has written, saying they want to have a 'Welcome Party' at our home on the 19th with the leaders of the church in Jose Olaya. It will also be a time of renewed commitment for all of us!

We will be in touch after we arrive there. Our email and 'snail mail' address remain the same, but we do have a different (Chilliwack, BC) phone number. See the info at the bottom of this letter.

God bless you all!

Dennis and Ruthi

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****Phone us in Peru at our new Chilliwack, B.C. number!! From Sept. 26th, our number will be 1-(604)-393-3522**

Our email address is:
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Art for the Eyes
A Few Drawings Related to Peru

Together is Better
- John 13:(34-)35

Baby Llama

'Fiesta of the Incas'
- Spanish drawing dated 1615

Famous Machupicchu