



New Hope Peru

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2023
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REPORT

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“Scripture and science affirm that children thrive in the structure and stability of safe families. But in a world marred by brokenness and sin, not every child has this experience... Care for children should always be as *safe, nurturing and as close to family* as is feasible for the given situation.”

— Christian Alliance for Orphans

A FEW WORDS FROM OUR LEADERS

At the beginning of 2023, we asked our staff what their hopes are for the kids at New Hope. A common theme emerged from their many answers: our staff collectively hopes and prays that the children at New Hope would find permanent solutions for their current situation of living outside of family care. For many kids at New Hope, their legal status is in limbo. Being in limbo means they are stuck — they can't return to their homes, can't be placed with a family member, and can't be adopted. They are with us and they are safe, loved, and cared for, but they aren't grounded or firmly rooted. Their status sometimes means that they stay with us for many years with no real solution.



Tony Bolos

All of us, especially children, need to know where we belong. This sense of belonging is fundamental to who we are, and family is at the center of belonging. As a result, the staff at New Hope has worked incredibly hard to find permanent family solutions for our kids.

The stories we share this year show how God works through New Hope and all of you. As you read about lives impacted, please consider a year-end donation. A significant portion of our annual budget is met through year-end giving. Your constant support makes this work possible and we are so grateful for every one of you.

In Christ,
Tony Bolos

This past year has been one of the most exciting and challenging to date for New Hope. **With the official signing by the Peruvian government to move forward with an organized, functional foster care system, New Hope has an unbelievable opportunity to impact the children in Peru in ways never thought of or seen before.**



Eric Eaton's Group

During my trip to New Hope this past February I was able to see firsthand the work that is being done by our Peruvian team as they are laying the groundwork to implement this program throughout the region. I also had the privilege to finally meet Kassandra and see the progress she has made over the past year through the help of generous donations from so many of you.

What most came to mind during my time in Peru was how humbling it is to be part of the work God is doing through New Hope. We all have an unbelievable opportunity to partner together with this amazing work by praying for and funding these projects and keeping the momentum moving forward by supporting the work God is doing in Arequipa. I invite and encourage each of you to see how you can support this important work happening at New Hope.

Thank you,
Eric Eaton, Chair of the Board of Directors

* Some names and photos throughout the report have been changed to protect and respect the confidentiality of these children and their experiences.

OUR TRULY “AWARD-WINNING” STAFF!

We have worked closely on a variety of initiatives with Congresswoman Milagros Aguayo, president of the Commission for Women and Families. This year, on International Children's Day, she presented our Director, Carla, and the team at New Hope with a special recognition for “the work being done for the children of Peru, who are the hope of the future of our beloved country.” We are so proud and thankful for our team!



New Hope Peru executive team

OUR PROGRAMS

Serving orphaned and vulnerable children in Peru

Residential Care

Our home for orphaned and vulnerable children provides family-style care for kids who don't have the opportunity to live in a loving and stable family setting. Our focus on individualized care plans, low child-to-caregiver ratios, and personalized spiritual and emotional support helps children heal from trauma and reduce the negative impacts of living outside of parental care.

Family-Based Care

Scripture, science, and personal experience all affirm that children do best when cared for in families. Their cognitive, social, and emotional skills develop best when they are loved and protected, have a sense of belonging, and develop life skills in the context of family life. We have a staff team actively pursuing family-based solutions for every child at New Hope, dedicating a large portion of their time and efforts toward family reintegration, adoption, and the new foster care pilot project in Arequipa.

Mas Esperanza

Knowing that the need for support doesn't end when a child turns 18, we continue to provide personalized support for our alumni as they pursue vocational training or higher education, establish their independence, and navigate the realities of adult life. We often attend their weddings, celebrate the arrival of their babies, and continue to mentor them into their adult years. With a focus on long-term strategies and supportive relationships with our staff, we provide ongoing care and connection for our alumni.

This year we have provided over \$20,000 in support to 150+ alumni to help meet specific needs, ranging from medical emergencies to microloans for small business endeavors.



Mas Esperanza reunion

A QUICK LOOK AT 2023

3
finalized
adoptions

6
adoptions
in process

2
new children (ages 3 and 5)
taken in and adopted
within 3 months

24
kids in
private school

7
children
reintegrated with
family members

14
kids in
higher education

\$20,000
in support for alumni

MEET ROSEANGELA, Director of Residential Care



"Growing up as a pastor's kid, I helped out in many different aspects of ministry in the church and I always loved working with kids. From that time on, I knew I wanted to work with children professionally. I went on to complete my bachelor's degree in social work and have worked with vulnerable children from the time I graduated. After four years of doing family strengthening, domestic violence prevention, and family communication, the project I had been working for was coming to an end. I began to pray that God would continue using me to serve children and families, and through a series of connections, I was introduced to New Hope and was grateful to accept a job as a social worker.

As Director of Residential Care, and can now see that the plans and timing of the Lord are perfect. Seeing children in families is my primary motivation for this work, and we get to give children the honor they deserve and already have in the eyes of God."

There to Here...

In our 2022 Annual Report, we shared several significant stories of children in New Hope's care. The developments in each one of their situations over the past year provide an excellent window into the work being done on a day-to-day basis by the New Hope team.

Carlos & Elena*

In 2022: Carlos (age 4) and his sister, Elena (4 months), were brought to New Hope after police officers responded to reports that their parents were systematically burning items in their home to ward off dark spiritual forces. They were preparing to burn their children alive, believing that this was the only way to protect them from evil.



In 2023: When Carlos and Elena arrived, our team began working diligently to assess the family-based care options. Through family tracing, they learned that Carlos' mom had prevented his biological dad from having any contact in the previous couple of years. He was eager to begin the process of reuniting with Carlos when our staff developed a reintegration plan to guide them through the process of reconnecting, building a trusting

relationship, and ultimately reuniting as a family unit. Carlos is now thriving at home in the care of his biological father.

Our staff team is still working with an extended family member of Elena's who is awaiting final approval for a kinship adoption, where a child is formally adopted by a living relative. While the approval process is unpredictable at times, our current expectation is to see that adoption finalized by the end of 2023!



Carlos and his dad in prayer

Daniela*

In 2022: Daniela, was moving up to our Mas Esperanza program which provides transitional support for our alumni. At that time, Daniela told us her dream was to become a working professional and to be able to support her brothers when they reached the age of transitioning out of New Hope as well.



In 2023: Daniela settled into her training program and began to wonder what it would look like for her younger brothers to begin living with her now, rather than waiting until they "age out" of our traditional care program.

After listening carefully to Daniela and her brothers, a care plan was developed that would bring these four siblings together into an apartment to live together as family. Tania, a previous houseparent at New Hope who had established a trusting relationship with the boys, accepted part-

time work helping with meal preparation, assisting with homework, and providing guidance and support. Daniela continues her studies and the boys continue their friendships and connections with their peers and trusted adult caregivers at New Hope.

We are proud of Daniela for sharing her idea with our staff and are proud to support her and her brothers as they begin a new phase of life together as a family.



Daniela and her brothers



In 2022: New Hope's senior staff team presented our foster care pilot project to members of Congress and a team of Peruvian directors of child welfare services. By the end of 2022, the project had been tentatively accepted but awaited final approval and clearance for implementation. The hope of seeing vulnerable children being cared for in families was growing, but the political instability in recent years kept us grounded.

In 2023: Our legal agreement with the Peruvian government was signed in March 2023, officially allowing us to begin recruiting and training, and matching foster families. Our goal was to have an initial group of 3 to 5 foster families trained and approved by the end of 2023.

In early September 2023, we put forward a group of 5 fully trained foster families for government approval. In the course of one year, we have seen God bless our efforts to see family-based care become a reality for children in Peru and we can't wait to see how He will continue to work in the year ahead.



FOSTER CARE PROJECT IN ACTION!

350+ families attended informational sessions

29 pastors and local leaders trained on the importance of family-based care

8 individuals completed screening and training

6 churches hosted informational sessions for the community about family-based care

3 formal church partnerships established



Will kids at New Hope move into foster families first?

Typically, when foster care is initially implemented in a country where it hasn't existed before, children living in institutions are the last to be placed in families. This is because children in institutions have become accustomed to institutionalized care and often find the norms of family life to be difficult and disruptive. It is important to do all we can to ensure the best possible experience for a community's first foster families to get the program off to a positive start. Ideally, the first children to be placed in foster families will never have spent time in residential care and thus, will have an easier transition into the foster family setting.

FOSTER CARE FAQs

Why do you want to see children in foster families instead of living at New Hope?

While we meet as many needs as we can, they are still living outside of the safe, loving care of a family that God created them for. Research shows us that, across all aspects of their development, children do best when cared for in safe, loving families. When family members aren't able to provide the care that children need, a foster family can provide the love, connection, and sense of belonging that children need to thrive in adulthood. Though we provide family-style care for children, "like a family" just isn't the same as family.

The foster care system in America seems broken in many ways. Why would you want to start that in Peru?

Family-based care initiatives are thriving in other countries, and every model is distinct. Foster care, which is a family-based model, still delivers better outcomes than institutionalized care for kids.

In places where foster care isn't working well, the solution isn't to throw foster care out, but to build a kind of family-based care model that serves vulnerable children in a more holistic way than residential care ever can.



OUR TEAM

3 WAYS WE INVESTED IN OUR STAFF THIS YEAR

1

Intensive training for our second cohort of staff who traveled to Casa Viva, a Christian organization in Costa Rica with years of experience in family-based care in Latin America.

2

Onsite training for our staff in Trust-Based Relational Intervention (TBRI), a model of care designed to meet the complex needs of vulnerable children.

3

At the 2023 Christian Alliance for Orphans Summit in Oklahoma City, our Onsite Director, Carla Galarza, actively participated in training, workshops, and networking with fellow professionals in Latin America. Her return was marked by fresh inspiration and innovative ideas for New Hope's continued service to children and families.

One of our greatest strengths as an organization is the fantastic team of Peruvian nationals who are leading the onsite work at New Hope Peru. We celebrate this milestone of having highly qualified Peruvian nationals at the helm of our onsite operations and see God's faithfulness in developing these leaders over the past 20 years. As we invest in our staff, we are investing in the lives of each one of the kids by equipping our leaders for the essential work of caring for vulnerable children with excellence and pursuing family solutions for each one.

Faithful Partnership

OH BE JOYFUL CHURCH

Our church has had the honor of partnering with New Hope for over 6 years now. As a church, we have chosen to base our missions model on relationships, which drives how we interact with our mission partners. Over the years, we have developed a deep relationship with New Hope in which we have not only been able to provide financial support, prayer support, and fundraising support but have also sent mission teams down. Our last team in February 2023 was comprised of youth and young adults, and that team was so enraptured by the experience that they are already planning a return trip. We are excited to join with New Hope in this transition toward family-based care and to continue learning how to support them for years to come in this exciting opportunity."

— Eric and Erica Eaton, Oh Be Joyful Church



Oh Be Joyful mission teams serving at New Hope

DOUBLE THE IMPACT OF YOUR DONATION!

11TH ANNUAL YEAR-END MATCHING FUND

Our **11th Annual Year-End Matching Fund** has been established by our Board of Directors and the Leaf Foundation. We are incredibly grateful for the generous financial support that makes our work possible!

Our 2023 Year-End Matching Fund will help to cover our remaining expenses this year and ensure the work continues to grow and expand in 2024. **All financial gifts beyond normal**

giving will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to our goal of \$50,000! As you consider your role in God's work, we'd be honored to have your financial support as we serve orphaned and vulnerable children and families in Arequipa.

**The intent behind the Matching Fund is to increase donations beyond normal monthly giving to cover our annual budget and fund our work in the year ahead. For this reason, standard monthly donations and designated donations are not eligible for matching.*

WAYS TO GIVE



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Give online at
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LOOKING AHEAD

As we move into our 29th year of serving vulnerable children and families in Peru, your donations will continue to provide care for vulnerable children in ways that prioritize their healing and seek family-based solutions whenever possible. **A few highlights of anticipated work in 2024 include:**

Arequipa's First Foster Families

We will be doing all we can to ensure our first foster families have a positive experience, while we continue to recruit and train additional families!

Siblings Together

The Peruvian government is prioritizing a strategy of providing care for sibling sets in small apartments with specific caregivers to ensure they grow up together (much like Daniela and her brothers!). We have a number of sibling sets at New Hope that will likely be moved offsite into small apartments with two caregivers.

Education

We are investing heavily in education and vocational training. Knowing how central education is to their future independence and well-being, we are grateful to be able to provide tuition and in-house educational support for our students!

Join us in praying for God's continual guidance, wisdom, and blessing as we move into another year of serving vulnerable children and families in Peru!

A NEW FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE!

In recent years, our partnership with a major alpaca yarn provider in Peru has grown. They generously donate an increasing amount of inventory each year to our ministry.

Shop for alpaca yarn online at:
www.ebay.com/usr/new_hope_peru
Email info@newhopeperu.org
for information on wholesale purchases!

2023 BUDGET AS OF NOV 1

INCOME	
Contributions	\$426,378
Total Income	\$426,378
EXPENSE	
Program Expense	\$406,719
Fundraising Expense	\$14,155
Administration Expense	\$83,575
Total Expense	\$504,449
SHORTFALL	
CURRENT SHORTFALL	\$78,071
PROJECTED YEAR-END SHORTFALL	\$88,000

We remain committed to financial prudence to ensure the sustainability of our work. The financial breakdown reflects the incredible amount of work that has been funded through our Program Expenses, as well as our projected shortfall of \$88,000 for this fiscal year.

MISSION

To serve orphaned and vulnerable children of Peru;
to demonstrate the love of Christ in our actions and manner of work;
to provide physical, emotional and spiritual care for the children entrusted to us.

VISION

To see children heal from the trauma they have experienced and be enabled to flourish — establishing a personal, life changing faith in Jesus Christ, developing skills to make positive personal choices, engaging in healthy personal and family relationships, and being actively involved in their local communities and vocational choices.

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