

1<sup>st</sup> – Paul and Ruth Turner give thanks to God that they were able to spend time with family and friends in the UK over Christmas and New Year, and that the orientation for Peruvian Striders, Sayuri, Pilar and Diana, went really well.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Please pray for Rosemary Gibson at the International College in Arequipa, Peru as she prepares Bible courses for church and school this month.

3<sup>rd</sup> – Pray for Strider Jo Anne Kennedy as she leaves for Peru today (arriving on 4th). She is travelling with two other Striders, Jenny and Cecily. Please pray for a safe journey and that there will not be any problems with flights or luggage. Pray also for her family and friends as she leaves.

4<sup>th</sup> – RTMs Glenn and Winifred Every-Clayton write: “Packing up all our goods seems a never-ending task. Pray for stamina, and that paperwork will be done on time. We give thanks that we have been assured that the house in Stanmore will be available for us when we arrive in April.”

5<sup>th</sup> – Strider Jo Anne Kennedy will have her orientation week in Peru from 5th-11th, before attending the Latin Link Peru Conference from 12th-16th. Pray that she will build good relationships with fellow Latin Link members during this time.

6<sup>th</sup> – Pray for RTM Winifred Every-Clayton as she is giving her final classes on Missions in the Old Testament at the post-graduate Missions Study Centre in João Pessoa from 6th-10th (while Glenn continues packing!).

7<sup>th</sup> – Pray for Adriano and Maria Figliuolo. They are still working with the same three groups they have been working with for a while – the street girls who are involved in prostitution, the street musicians who are working as musicians in the city buses and the young people who come to the street kids club once a week. They also have contact with older individuals who they have known for many years, many of whom have already been in prison one or more times and a few of whom still come to their meetings on the streets on Friday nights.

8<sup>th</sup> – Give thanks for Strider Hollie Steele’s trip to Cuba and Guatemala in January. Pray for Hollie in her role as Step Co-ordinator for Cuba as she plans and prepares for the Step teams going to Cuba this summer.

9<sup>th</sup> – Pray for Ruth Green and the auxiliary at the Shalom Centre in Arequipa, Blanca, as they continue to visit the young people from Shalom at home this month. They will be doing exercises, games and a devotional time. Pray for times of encouragement and fun for all involved.

10<sup>th</sup> – Please pray for Paul Davies who has been off work with stress. At the end of an

extremely busy term at *allnations*, his parents moved to a residential care home which was quite traumatic, and he and Wilma now have the additional job of clearing and selling their flat. Pray for grace, wisdom and strength.

11<sup>th</sup> – Ross Cooper is running a coffee morning in St. James’ Presbyterian Church, Ballymoney from 10am-1pm today to help raise funds for his Stride placement, beginning in September 2012. If you are in the area please call in and support him!

12<sup>th</sup> – Strider Linda Fox will be joining the other Latin Link members in Villa Marista, Lima from 12th-16th February for the annual Latin Link Peru Conference. Pray that the team will be blessed by the teaching, strengthened in their faith and that their fellowship together will glorify God.

13<sup>th</sup> – Rosemary Gibson’s successor at the International College has been invited to the Latin Link Peru Team Conference. Pray that this is a helpful experience for them.

14<sup>th</sup> – Please pray for the health of the Lara family in Belfast.

15<sup>th</sup> – Adriano and Maria Figliuolo in Peru give thanks for the street kids who have left the streets and are working. Meeting some of them has been a great encouragement to them as it showed them once again that their work isn’t in vain.

16<sup>th</sup> – RTMs Glenn and Winifred Every-Clayton are attending a huge Christian convention in Campina Grande from 16th-21st. They both hope to receive some good spiritual input over these days. It is a multi-track event and this year for the first time they have a track especially for women. Winifred has been invited to speak from 19th-21st. Pray that she can in turn input into the lives of the women attending.

17<sup>th</sup> – Today Strider Jo Anne Kennedy travels to Arequipa, where she will be based for her placement. Pray that she would settle in well, make friends quickly and would not experience too much culture shock. Pray that she will get on well with her host family, Ruth Maria, David and Lilla, and build good relationships with them.

18<sup>th</sup> – Rosemary Gibson needs to prepare a report on the International College for the AGM of the Latin Link Peru legal body which takes place towards the end of this month or early March. Pray that she will get this work completed quickly.

19<sup>th</sup> – Ireland Co-ordinator, Elma Currie will be speaking at Strand Presbyterian in Belfast this morning and at Carryduff Presbyterian on 29th. Pray that what she shares will be an encouragement to both churches.

20<sup>th</sup> – Please pray for Paul and Ruth Turner as they help the six new Striders who have arrived from the UK and Switzerland this month to settle into life in Peru.

21<sup>st</sup> – A sub committee of the Irish Action Group meet today to plan for Latin Link Live at the end of April. Pray for good progress with plans.

**Dates for your diary:**

Latin Link Live Lounge – Friday 20 April 2012 at The Hub, Belfast

Latin Link Live – Saturday 21 April 2012 at Strandtown Baptist Church, Belfast

22<sup>nd</sup> – Wilma Davies writes: “Sayuri, a new Strider from Peru, should arrive by the end of February. She is being placed in the Good Shepherd Mission in Bethnal Green, in the centre of London. Please pray that she makes a quick and easy adjustment to life and work here.”

23<sup>rd</sup> – In the midst of packing and speaking engagements, RTMs Glenn and Winifred Every-Clayton want to have time for and with people, and have lots of visitors and visits of all sorts: to see a couple's new baby, to see another couple's new flat which is still under construction, to meet someone's boyfriend, to have former students in for meals during the vacation time... Please pray for them as they try to fit it all in!

24<sup>th</sup> – The pastor of Rosemary Gibson's church in Arequipa is leaving. Pray for God's choice for a successor.

25<sup>th</sup> – At the end of February Colin Sims will be doing a number of workshops for pastors in San Martín de los Andes and Junín de los Andes on working with problematic people. This is a subject the pastors themselves highlighted on his last visit to the south of Argentina. Please pray for a good turn out and that the workshops will be practical and helpful for them.

26<sup>th</sup> – Give thanks for those who have already been accepted for summer Step teams and for Stride placements. Pray for many others to consider serving God in this way.

27<sup>th</sup> – Pray for ex-Strider Paula Smyth who is currently raising support to return to Argentina on Stay. Pray that many people would be willing to pray and give to equip her to go.

28<sup>th</sup> – Please pray for Paul and Ruth Turner as they plan activities for *Nuevas Fuerzas* which starts up again at the beginning of March.

29<sup>th</sup> – Pray for the staff at the Shalom Centre in Arequipa – Giovanna (teacher), Blanca (auxiliary), Julio (bus driver) and Ruth Green – as they prepare everything for starting back on 1st March with the six students from 2011 plus a new (although previously known to them) four year old.



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**“We look at this Son and see God's original purpose in everything created. For everything, absolutely everything... got started in him and finds its purpose in him.”**  
Colossians 1: 15-16 (MSG)