

We pray for the children and the families in Lima, Peru that will receive physical and spiritual blessings from La Mision Luterana and Castillo Forte Mercy House.

Prayer 1

Dear Lord, be with the children who seek to find You at La Mision Luterana and the Castillo Forte Mercy House. Let the workers reflect You and Your love for them as they reach out to serve these, Your children. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

Prayer 2

Dear Lord, we come before You today to ask Your blessing and guidance as we reach out to the children and, through the children, to their parents in Lima, Peru. May our humble acts of meeting their physical needs teach them about You and Your saving grace. In Christ we pray, Amen.

Prayer 3

Dear Heavenly Father, we thank You for the mite offerings that help to support the children who come to La Mision Luterana and Castillo Forte Mercy House in Lima, Peru. Please be with the missionaries as they show the love of Christ through the services they provide to children and adults in need. Bless their work. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Prayer 4

Dear Jesus, bless the work of La Mision Luterana and Castillo Forte Mercy House. The missionaries are reaching out in love to help meet the physical and spiritual needs of children in Lima, Peru. Please continue to bless them and all Your children in need, with food for their bodies and the Bread of Life for their souls. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.



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Physically and Spiritually Feeding Children in Lima, Peru

Spiritual and Physical Food for Children of Peru La Mision Luterana del Peru — \$56,750

Castillo Forte Mercy House is the mercy arm of La Mision Luterana del Peru, the national Lutheran Mission of Peru. They provide for the physical and spiritual needs of children who are struggling to survive in one of the poorer districts in Lima, Peru. This grant will help provide food and supplies for this ministry.

Castillo Forte Mercy House is surrounded by families who struggle to provide for the basic needs of life. The parents are hardworking people who work long hours with very low pay and the children are often left on their own.

The LCMS missionaries started reaching out to these children at the local park after receiving the city's approval to use the park for church programs. This developed into the Castillo Forte Mercy House and a church plant where missionaries provide after school tutoring, educational classes, a soup kitchen, as well as lessons about who Jesus is and what He has done for their salvation.

Castillo Forte provides a safe place for the children to grow both physically and spiritually. They provide a healthy lunch for children each weekday. Castillo Forte has daily chapel time and catechism classes during the week. The missionaries are teaching the children to pray, memorize Scripture, and to talk about all that God has done for them.

The ministry began by serving the needs of the children. Through the children, missionaries are able to learn about the difficult situations at home and the physical and emotional needs of their parents. Castillo Forte has been able to provide the services of a social worker, psychologist, health professionals, and trained teachers to meet the needs of the parents and children. The children provide an open door to reach out to the parents and share the Gospel of Christ.

La Mision Luterana del Peru is also reaching out to Venezuelan refugees in the city of Lima who have fled their country to escape violence and political persecution or because of lack of food, medicine, and essential services. There are over 377,000 Venezuelan refugees living in the city. When they arrive, they find themselves with no money, no work, no place to live, and no friends or contacts to help them. La Mision Luterana has opened their doors to the refugees and help them find shelter, food and adjust to a new life in a new country.

This grant will help finance the work of Castillo Forte Mercy House and La Mision Luterana del Peru as they reach out to help with the physical and spiritual needs of children and adults in Lima, Peru.

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