



**December 2025**

Dear friends,

Casa del Maestro is officially installed in the new residence! Moving 21 people and a family is A LOT to say the least, but we are excited for what is to come. The girls moved to brand new apartments with gorgeous views and lots of natural light, nice for those chilly Cusco days. The young men are now where the ladies were and where the Academy is held. This move allows us to comfortably accept ten new students in February and provide a better experience and service to the youth. We are so grateful for this gift we were given by God and you, our partners. Thank you for the prayers and financial support that made this move possible.

A recent news article caught Albino's attention: an 11-year-old girl brought from a village to work in a Cusco home and endured unthinkable conditions for years. The article's "employers" are now imprisoned with a fourteen-year sentence for human trafficking and exploitation of a minor. When we read the story, the girl's history was eerily familiar to Delia's, a young woman who was a part of Casa del Maestro and CdM was the first place she ever felt safe and loved.

Delia's childhood was this young woman's. The difference... one family allowed Delia to finish her education with night school, *and* she found the church. Today, education means that she is independently supporting herself and is a productive citizen. It is her faith in Jesus and his saving grace and love that means she can forgive her family and still generously give of her hard-earned money. It is her passionate prayer life and his strength that encourages her to witness at work despite great harassment and ridicule. Delia may never see justice this side of heaven, but she knows God is by her side.

Casa del Maestro is privileged to serve as the hands and feet of Jesus Christ to make the difference in young people's lives, to help pick up the pieces after the fact or to ensure the exploitation does not occur. We help them complete that all important education. (See [www.casadelmaestro.org](http://www.casadelmaestro.org) for more details.) More than anything, we show them the Jesus who came to earth

*... to proclaim good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted,  
to proclaim freedom for the captives  
and release from darkness for the prisoners,<sup>[a]</sup>  
<sup>2</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor  
and the day of vengeance of our God,  
to comfort all who mourn,  
<sup>3</sup> and provide for those who grieve in Zion—  
to bestow on them a crown of beauty  
instead of ashes,  
the oil of joy  
instead of mourning,*

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*and a garment of praise  
instead of a spirit of despair. ...  
Isaiah 61:1b-3a*

This season we remember Jesus's birth. It is Him we serve and love and celebrate this Christmas.



*Merry Christmas* from the Rodríguez Family