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Grace and Peace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be with you all. I thank God for his continual love and care over our lives. It was wonderful to have had you in my mission journey last year. Thank you so much for lifting me up with your prayers and support. I am fine and doing great in my work.

This New Year I invite you to again be a part of the Blessing of God in my community serving together the people of God here at Quessua mission. May God continue to bless you as you continue this journey with me.



150 subsistence farmers from Quessua villages attending the launch of the food security awareness outreach



Food security awareness with village farmers

Quessua Agriculture has launched a food security awareness program with the desire to support farmers with agricultural inputs such as seeds, tools and training in order to encourage optimum food production. Around 150 farmers responded positively to our outreach and attended this first awareness meeting. Most of these village farmers lack minimal agricultural inputs to farm and are enthusiastic to learn new information. The program aims to help farmers boost sustainable food production and at the same time teach them to keep seeds for the next growing season. A work team of representative farmers from the villages has been formed. We explained to farmers that we

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aim to work and collaborate with them in their daily farming activities and that their input is important to the success of the program. It was heartwarming to have women and men from the different Quessua villages take time from their busy lives of sustaining their families to come for this first meeting.

Crop production

Quessua agriculture harvested an abundant maize crop this year making the husking of the corn a challenging task. However, with the help of the village farmers attending the meeting at our farm, husking of remaining maize was completed in a few hours. It was amazing to hear that they are ready to help Quessua farm from time to time with other work that needs to be done.



Village farmers husking maize

Vegetable production

The children of Quessua Mission villages benefit from a nutrition outreach mission administered by fellow missionaries here. Every Sunday after Sunday school and church a nourishing meal is provided to around 400 children. This assures that these needy children receive a meal once a week that is rich in calories, protein and vitamins. Given the poverty and undernourishment of the majority of children here, these meals are an asset to their growing bodies and lives.

Quessua Agriculture gladly provides available vegetables when needed. Recently abundant amounts of eggplant and chaya leaves were added to the weekly meal. We promote Chaya in particular due to the rich nutrients including protein that the leaves provide.



Students cutting up eggplant for the Sunday meal for children



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Sunday school children enjoying their meal



Students harvesting cabbage for their kitchen



Cabbage field



Bananas and plantains for the dorm. Some of these students helped plant the first banana stalks two and a half years ago.



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We thank you very much for your tremendous support to my ministry. Together we are participating in the success of our God's Mission. God's Mission is still going on and we value your prayers, love, support, thoughts, emails and generous financial support for this New Year. With God all is possible! We wish you Happy Easter! May God Bless you!

I invite you to collaborate with the Agriculture Program at Quessua Mission.

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