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Dear papa Lon and Susan R:

I am really sorry because I didn't have enough time to write you. I was so busy in my academy. As you know some weeks ago we had problems with the landslide in Chosica. I always hear about it, but this year when I understand the problems that the landslide brings hear in the House of Gina. We didn't have water and the traffic was terrible. (the main highway was closed: Lon) We decided with miss Rocio and Judith that I had to live for those days at Rocio's home. Now I came back to Hogar de Gina last Saturday, also with Gustavo (Rocio's nephew). We went to help people in Chosica who had problems for the landslide (we gave them water and bread). I saw that the situation was terrible because there were ancient women who wanted water.

About the academy, at the beginning I found it a little bit difficult. Now it is still difficult but I am trying to understand everything, There are some subjects that are difficult to understand, but the academy is teaching me many things. About my grades in the Academy now they are really better than before. I know that I have to improve them.

Next April 26th. I will take the simulacrum of the Catholic University exam again. I am really excited because I hope to get a better score than before. Thanks to you for your emails of support. They gave me inspiration to follow for this way. Is really important for me to know that there are many people who are really interested in my future. Also thanks to all your friends who help to improve my life.

Some days ago two new girls arrive in the House of Gina. One of them is only eleven years old. She comes from Callao (one of the worst neighborhoods in Lima: Lon). She cannot read and write, her situation isn't good but I think that I am very lucky because I found in my life persons like you who helped me. I cannot imagine me being eleven years old and cannot read or write.

There is another girl who is fourteen years old and had a terrible life. She used to stay on the street. She didn't go to the school and she got pregnant and she lost her baby. I think those cases are terrible and I thank God because he puts persons like my mother, Lon, Susan, Judith, Rocio who always gave me advice. I am not perfect but I think each day I learn more things and learn to face this life.

Also I started to read The Diary of Anne Frank. It is really interesting and its giving me some ideas to write about my life. Actually it isn't easy for me because there are some parts of my life that I would like to keep in secret, HA HA HA (LOL).

I want to tell you again thank you so much for all your help and also to all the persons who support me and help with my education.

See you soon and I will try to write you as soon as possible.

Love,
Aracely