

It was such a blessing to be back in the “States” for the summer and fall, together with friends and family again. We arrived in May and returned to Peru the end of



October. In the past, returning to our home culture has proven to be a challenge to adjust, but each time becomes a bit easier.

The ministry went well while we were gone, and we are thankful for how the Lord works in and through the Quechua team who keep growing in the ministry roles so important to the church planting work. The Lord desires His church to be well established and firmly grounded upon a foundation of biblical truth. During the last **20 years** the Lord has given us the privilege to disciple Quechua believers and serve with them to pioneer new ministries. Fredy has served with us for 18 years and Santiago 16 years. Pray with us as they continue to grow.



Fredy



Santiago

Answered Prayer, Activities, and News:

Lightning!!

This year’s stormy summer season (January through April) brought more thunder storms with damaging lightning, requiring radio repairs and purchasing another transformer. We extended the grounding system which should help protect the transmitter equipment at the remote site.

The radio ministry expands

There are villages in the local canyon area where the radio signal doesn’t enter and so we have been praying for another license and another small FM transmitter.

This year we were awarded use of another FM frequency! This will serve the local church planting work by allowing us to daily reach villages with the scriptures. The radio ministry strives to clearly teach the difference between the true gospel and many false ones which are now popular in Peru.

Short-Wave radio

Many Quechua speaking people live in very isolated areas throughout the Andes mountains of southern Peru. When we visit shepherds in the highlands, we meet people who have never heard of a Holy Creator God, their need for salvation, or the good news of Jesus Christ.

Since 2008, radio engineers who serve with the ministry SonSet Solutions have recommended that we use a Short-Wave radio transmitter. Offering expertise in radio gospel ministry and technical aspects, they estimate that the signal would be heard in rural areas throughout the entire southern third of Peru. The broadcast of faithful bible teaching could reach millions of Quechua speakers. Several years ago, we were ready for this expansion but the loss of two key radio team members required that we wait and pray for more workers. Short-wave radio broadcasts are best heard in rural areas where there is less “noise” from urban electrical systems. In these areas there are no phones, internet, T.V. or local FM radio stations. Pray for the process of licensing permissions, installation of the antennas and transmitters, and development of our Quechua language programs.

Note!!

*If you did not receive
the prayer letters
Summer 2018, or Winter 2018,
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quechuamissions.com

Prayer Updates page

More workers for the harvest

We all have been asking the Lord of the Harvest to call and enable more laborers, and we now see how He has been answering and preparing several others to join the work here.

Calip and Jaime have both been using their school breaks to help in the radio ministry. This November, after completing their education they moved to Cotahuasi to serve the Lord full time in radio and village church planting.



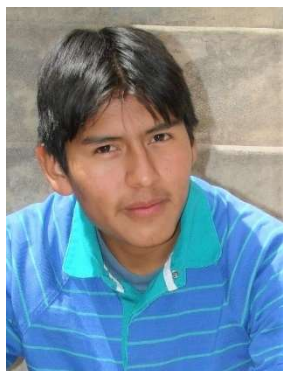
Calip



Jaime

Another answer to prayer:

After years of trying to run from God, Jeremias is surrendering to the Lordship of Christ and His perfect will. It has been a great encouragement to Gina and me as the Quechua team has entered into a serious study of the Christian's daily walk of repentance and freedom in Christ.



Jeremias

Now, Jeremias is once again in Cotahuasi, with his young family and serving with the team in radio ministry. He is like a son to us, because he grew up at the ministry center and his family lived and served the Lord with us for many years. As these three new members of the team serve in the radio

ministry, they will oversee the expansion of radio ministry and produce Quechua language programming.

Theological education is of primary importance in our effort to equip and encourage Quechua church planters. Leaders participate in the half-day studies each week and the bi-monthly week-end Bible seminars which are taught by Quechua church planters, pastors, and missionaries. Some remote village leaders travel hours to participate in these studies because they value the rare opportunity that few Peruvian believers enjoy. For the Quechua church leaders who live and minister in remote areas, theological education is not available. Often their only options require leaving their churches and moving to the city, leaving rural churches and church planting work without leadership. We have prayed a long time for local access to a biblically faithful and credentialed seminary level program that would include training in expository preaching. God is answering these prayers!!

A seminary in Mexico provides extension programs with excellent Bible curriculum and teaching that could enable rural believers to study. They visit and teach week-long intensive modules and augment with coordinated studies during interim periods. Their trust in the sufficiency and trustworthiness of the scriptures is a good example. Quechua villagers may soon be taught and also enabled to teach others so new churches are established upon a firm foundation of biblical truth. 2 Tim 2:2

Please pray with us as we help coordinate this new local program. The first students would include five of our church planters who also work in the radio ministry mentioned above.

Prayer and Praise:

Give Thanks:

- Santiago's surgeries went very well and he continues to recuperate since end of October.
- Please pray for the team of Quechua church planters, their spiritual growth, and their studies in theological education.
- Pray for planning, coordination, and successful start of the TMAI seminary extension in Arequipa this next year.
- Pray for God to be glorified in the following ministries: radio, theological training, discipleship for women, biblical counseling & medical, discipleship and training for pastors.
- Pray for financial provision for the Quechua church planters, theological education, and radio antennas and transmitters.
- Pray for safety on dangerous mountain roads.
- Radio station – pray for the expansion of the reach of our broadcast listening area, technical repairs licensing, and installation.

Thank you!

Your faith and love for Him and for us are a huge blessing & encouragement to us!

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