

November 24, 2006

Dear Friends,

On September 20th we arrived in Lima, Peru. Some friends picked us up at the airport and took us to the home that we will be living in until May of next year. It's been two months now since we have arrived and a lot of water has gone under the bridge already. God has been good to us as He always is!

At the end of October, I preached for two different events. The first was a three-day evangelistic campaign for the Bible Baptist Church of Lucyana, Lima. There were five salvation decisions during the weekend. The pastor told us last week that three of the five have been coming regularly and that he is working on the other two.

The following week our whole family took a bus through the night to Trujillo which is 8 hours north of Lima. I preached 11 times in the Baptist seminary there during the week. I focused on revival and spiritual growth in preaching to the students. I was thankful for a good response to the Word throughout the week.

We shipped a 20-foot container to Lima from South Carolina that carried all of our housing and personal items. The container arrived at port October 3rd, but we didn't get it to the house until November 10th. The main hold-up was that we didn't have our permanent visas at that point so we were not allowed to receive our container. Despite the delay in getting our container and despite the fact that I paid a lot more than I had intended to pay in storage and usage fees, God gave us a special blessing in all this. The blessing is that because of Cheryl's pregnancy we were allowed to receive our visas here in Lima and not have to leave the country to get them. Others here have told us that this is a rare exception and we are thankful for God's help in this way. Cheryl and I now have our Carnets de Extranjeria (Peruvian identification cards).

We bought a van last week. It is a nine-passenger 2002 Hyundai Starex. The Lord provided a good van for us that will help us in hosting groups that come to minister with us. We are very thankful.

Pray with us for the following things:

1. That God would give genuine fruit from our ministry in Trujillo last month.
2. That God would give us wisdom about where to live once we have to move.
3. That God would help us as we anticipate having a baby here in Lima in February.
4. Several of the Steve Pettit Team members are coming to help us hold evangelistic campaigns with churches these next two weeks. Pray that God would give us real fruit from their time here.

In Christ,
Tim Chapman