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Two days after Thanksgiving, our friends **Jeremy and Misha Frazor** arrived in Peru along with 6 young people, four of whom travel with their ministry. We flew that same morning to **Puerto Maldonado**. **Buddy Fitzgerald**, a missionary friend of ours here in Peru, met us at the airport along with missionary **Gary Greenwood** and a young man named **Mark Walker**.



Saturday night and Sunday night we held two different events in the main plaza in the city. The first night Jeremy put on a Tae-Kwon-Do demonstration interspersed with testimonies and gospel preaching. The next night we held a music concert again with gospel preaching. Both nights we had a large number of people standing and watching the whole program. There were also hundreds of people sitting around the plaza listening as we sang and preached. Puerto Maldonado has close to a hundred thousand people and only one fundamental church that we know of. Our first goal was to declare the gospel clearly to the folks that would listen. The second goal we had was to begin making contact with people since Buddy and Loren will be moving to the city soon.



On Monday, we headed up the **Madre de Dios River** to a village named **Boca Inambari**. The folks there live very rustically: they cook over open fires; they use outhouses; they bathe in the river; etc. There is a small group of believers in the village but they know very little about Scripture and have been visited often by false teachers. Several times they expressed to us their desire to know the truth and to be taught well. Buddy is seriously considering taking trips to the village every few weeks so that he can begin to teach these folks systematically from the Bible.

We spent two nights in the village sleeping on thin pieces of hard rubber. We played volleyball and soccer with the young people; we helped them clean up the trash on their site; we swam in the river; we bathed in the river. We had three different services with the folks interested in the things of the Lord. Early Wednesday morning we headed back down the river to Puerto Maldonado to catch our flight, and by 3:30pm we were back in **Lima**.

In Lima, we held an evangelistic soccer tournament with our church. Jeremy preached the gospel to at least 40 unsaved guys. Several of them received Christ. Our pastor, **Henry Morales**, is planning a get-together with the guys who responded for salvation as we are making plans for follow-up with them. The team did a sacred concert at our church Sunday night with Jeremy preaching. God gave us a wonderful time together with our friends. I believe there will be eternal fruit from their labors here.



Our next trip is in early January in which we'll be headed to **Ica** with the whole family for a week of preaching. You can read more of what is coming up under the Upcoming Events on our website. Please continue to pray that God will strengthen us spiritually and physically each day.

In Christ,
Tim Chapman