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Ancash, Peru- Who are these children of the Andes whom God has called me to Love? I remember being in the museum of Natural History in Washington DC in 1987 asking myself this question as I peered at the wax figures. It was thirteen years from my call to preach in all of Latin America to the day my feet touched down on the Andes. Since then by the grace of God, together we are helping to make disciples among these dear people. What are the people in South America like, especially in the mountainous regions? This past month I was in one of the least reached providences in the Ketchua Indian country. Pastor Peppy Trillo, Herbert Jimenez and I discussed over dinner our strategy to open our Bible Schools in this virgin territory. We ate the favorite dish of the region "Cuy" (Guinea Pig) fried and forged together; skin, meat and bone. No, it does not taste like chicken; it tastes more like an over cooked rodent.

I first meet Pastor Peppy when he just planted a church in the city of Cusco seven years ago. I reminded him that at that time I led a woman to Christ that was standing at a cross roads on the side of a mountain high above the city. She was selling cheap necklaces made of tin and turquoise I was drawn to share the Lord with her so I bought a few necklaces to engage her in conversation. I then shared with her about salvation. As she prayed with me, tears flowed down her face, leaving streaks on her cheeks. She sobbed and said her husband is an alcoholic. I told her that I would be preaching way down at the bottom of the mountain in a movie theater. She came with her husband and he surrendered his heart to the Lord. I asked the pastor Peppy if they are still in the faith. He said yes they are! Velma and Jesus are still growing in God.

Herbert and I traveled to several Cities to promote and establish Vida Internacional (our Multi media Bible School). We traveled three nights on



the bus to three cities. I was fighting sleep deprivation and at the same time I was blessed in meetings and ministry. Among the really interesting leaders I had the pleasure to get to know was Freddie, the Ketchua Indian, motorcycle riding, Pastor. He met with me twice, asking how he could raise up church leaders that presently have the equivalent of a third grade education. Please pray for pastor Freddie to establish leaders and disciples among his Indian Village. Also pray for pastor Herbert as we open up new territory.

Our Goal in 2005 is to produce one course a month. You can sponsor a ten lesson course for a gift of \$1,000. (Please indicate on the check for our records).



Some of our Bible Students receiving certificates of completion, Lima, Peru.

We will put your name, your loved one, or the name of your church at the end of the new course. Also, for a gift of \$300. you can sponsor the manual for the course and we will acknowledge your sponsorship in the manual. If you would like for me to come and minister at your church or small group, call me at 832-724-1151, or email me at LSMI@houston.rr.com. I would love to come. Thank you for your partnership!

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