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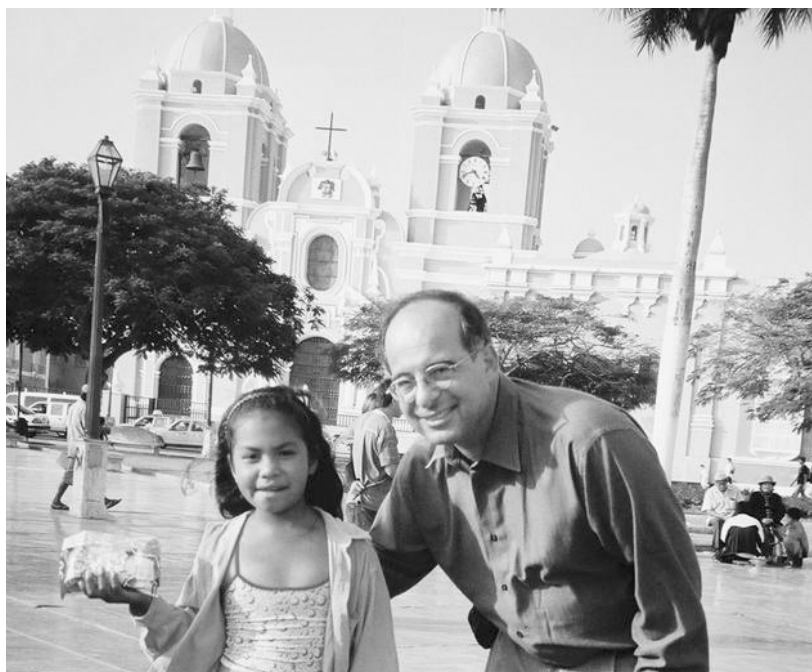


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Our first stop on the 20 hour bus tour through the desert of northern Peru was Chimbote Viejo. I knew we were there by the subtle odor of fertilizer plants processing fish byproducts wafting on the air. We were visiting Pastor Fernando Tinoco of Mision Baptista Internacional. The worship that evening was powerful, Pastor Herbert Jimenez from Lima, our principle Vida Rep for Peru shared vision then I ministered, sharing stories of Latin Christians who made a difference for Christ's kingdom. The people received the word with joy and gratitude. I first met Pastor Fernando approximately 5 years ago and he has continued to train his leaders with our material. He says that the teachings help to unravel the word of God so that they can clearly be of the same heart and mind. They really like the course on Fundamental Doctrine. Mision Baptista Internacional has 200 people in attendance with 130 active in service and evangelism.

We went two hours further north along the Peruvian coast, plowing past some of the most ancient settlements of civilization buried under desert mounds and shifting sands to our next destination, Trujillo. Vida Internacional Rep Pastor Cesar Chavarry met us at the bus terminal and after the embrace we spent time in prayer. That evening we ministered to his people, they seemed to be attentive and touched. The next day we went to the old part of Trujillo where the streets were bustling with activity. Police, business people, Indians, school children in their uniforms, beggars, vendors and shoe shine boys went about their business. I noticed that the people were stepping over someone on the sidewalk. As I approached her I saw that she was an elderly blind woman in her mid seventies. Her hair was matted, she had dirt crusted on her skin & hardly a tooth in her mouth as she slumped over in sleep. I felt compassion for her and took out 20 solis (\$6.25 U.S.) Pastor Herbert said some-

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Mision Baptista Internacional, Chimbote Viejo, Peru

one would steal the money. Just then, she felt the brush of the bill in her hand and started to scream, fearing that she was being robbed. Since Pastor Herbert counseled me that she could be robbed if I gave her money, I left to buy her food, water and juice. When we returned and I tried to give her the bag of blessings, she was filled with fear and she would not receive it. I crossed the street and offered it to an Indian Woman nursing her baby on the sidewalk. She gladly took the gift. My attempt to put a band-aide on this poor woman's suffering was not



Pastor Herbert Jimenez and his wife Isabel.

nearly as effective as these pastors would be if they had the resources to minister to the needy. Something of a vision had begun to resonate in me when Herbert, Cesar, and my self were praying. They were praying #1 for the resources to take Vida (Our Bible Institute) into more remote places and #2 To help the poor, street children, drug addicts & abandoned women. They asked if Vida would help by sending containers of goods to Peru. These second hand goods could also provide revenue to further Vida's quest of making disciples. Let's run a test and see if this is God. This is an opportunity for a church or an individual to collect goods and fill a shipping container with these goods that will be used to bless the poor and further Vida's mission of making disciples throughout the Spanish speaking world. We will provide information so that you can ship direct from your port to a church in Lima, Peru. If you or your church have experience in shipping containers Overseas and are able to find the resources to cover expenses email me .

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