



"Bringing God's message of hope in action, to all the people we can, wherever we can"

As this year draws to a close, we at Message Ministries and Missions want to thank you for all your prayers and support that have enabled us by the grace of God to fulfill what God has called us to do in the USA, Peru and beyond in 2007.

This year, **we saw** many give their hearts to the Lord through our mission team evangelism as well as through the ministries of the churches that we work with in Peru. **We saw** hundreds of children fed on a regular basis through the Feeding Centers. **We saw** the devastation of an earthquake and with your help brought hope by sending food, water, tents etc. **We built** homes and helped send Peruvian short term mission teams to do earthquake relief, through the leadership of Hector and Pastor Jose of Valle Verde. **We saw** two churches purchase land with our help (one we hope to help build on in 2008). **We saw** a very successful youth camp in Lima which helped strengthen the youth ministries of the Peruvian churches. **We saw** prayers answered regarding the funds needed to complete the Bible School and Mission Training Center portion of The Marques Project in Lima. The Bible School is almost complete and **we look** to start classes in April, instead of January as originally planned.

We saw doors opening to help DC & Sonja, indigenous church planters in the northern part of India. **We plan** to initially begin sending support in January to help with the slum school and orphanage they started and now operate. We also want to help them send out indigenous pastors and missionaries into the heavily un-evangelized and persecuted areas of northern India. **Please keep us in prayer as we seek direction for 2008 and as we seek to be faithful and true to God and His calling.**

We're excited to announce we've received our final approval from the IRS and are now an official 501C3 non profit corporation, retroactive back to 2006. We'll be sending out your tax deductible receipts for donations made in 2007 in mid January. All of us at Message Ministries & Missions thank you for helping us to bring hope in action to the people Jesus loves and died for.



Pastor Guy in a straw hut in Pisco, Peru soon after the Earthquake.

Prayers from the Desert by Pastor Guy Weatherly

The loud cry was in Spanish and I did not understand the language. The voice rose beyond the makeshift hut in the Peruvian desert at 5:00 in the morning. The deep sounds from this gracious brother in Christ were not addressed to any human being but were pleas to God. He, along with his family were among the thousands of Christians displaced as a result of the Earthquake 150 miles south of Lima. They were poor before the Earthquake but now they were stripped of everything they owned. Earthquakes have no sympathy and recognize no class.

In the tradition of Jeremiah he held no feeling back. His prayer came from the innermost depths of his soul. The presence of God was so powerful I could not move and remained motionless on the mat where I had slept. Slowly the voice began to transition into whispers of praise and then thanksgiving then ascended higher into sounds of unspeakable joy!

It was not only an experience I will never forget but a lesson of what prayer in "the desert" is all about. It was gut level honesty in horrendous circumstances that becomes gut level recognition that, God is enough. It was like being with Paul as he with Silas sang in the prisons after being tortured all day. Christ followers acknowledge that He will always take care of us but I had not seen such radical love and dependence on God. I could only lie there and think of Paul's declaration of content in all situations and repent of the faithless self pity that so often smeared my walk with Jesus. I have been a teacher of the "mechanics" of Prayer and Spiritual Warfare. now I was a student of what it is really all about .

Maybe this lesson was for me but I share this with you to ponder and to consider getting more involved with the indigenous Christians of the third world. To do so will bring you face to face with the one we call Lord and you will discover the truth of His words "whatever you do for one of the least of these brothers you do for me" it is then you meet Him in the seasons of life we call, the desert.

Pastor Guy is one of our board members and is working on curriculum and logistics for the Bible School & Mission training Center in Lima.

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Sisters by Anne Weller

The impression many people have is that the missionaries are the saints who sacrifice their creature comforts to go to a far off place and meet the needs of the poor and hungry- both spiritually and physically. The truth is that missionaries have the privilege of delivering the good news because of people who sacrifice and stay in their everyday jobs, prayer closets and routine lives.

It is an adventure to go on a mission trip. it is common place to get up and go to that 9-5 job, write a check and make the opportunity for the person going a reality. There are many people in our lives who have made it possible for Message Ministries to exist and have an impact in Peru.

Jane Rode, a dear sister in the Lord who is in her 90th year of living, is pretty much homebound. Jane can't get up and go too much, her legs are tired and her eyes are dimming, but her spiritual fervor is teeming with life and her frail fingers have still found a way to knit ponchos and scarves for the poor of Peru. After the recent earthquake Brian went to the hardest hit area with a team. He had one poncho with him, He met a dear sister there who was in her 70's, she had lost her home and she was cold. Brian gave her the handmade poncho from Jane. What a gift, what a ministry! The warmth of a work of love, and prayer connected 2 women who will only meet in heaven. Jane is an everyday missionary even though she is homebound. You are never too old to make an impact on God's kingdom.

Mary Carter, a dear sister in the Lord who is in her 80th year is a prayer warrior. She stands strong in the Lord despite health problems that may try to keep her down. She is an everyday woman who can't go on the field but yet every trip she is there in prayer. Her prayers have carried many a missionary through the tough times whether it be in Peru, Mongolia, or the USA. Thank God for the Mary Carter's in his kingdom.

Stephanie Anderson, a dear sister- in her 50th year is a 9-7 florist who manages to keep her head up in the midst of many responsibilities and challenges. She keeps her cool and lives gracefully touching many lives here and on the field because of her prayers and financial support. I am sure it would be exciting for her to get on a plane and make the trip but God has not released her to do that yet. The reality is that her support and prayers are instrumental in making the opportunity for others to go. Three different women with everyday lives but one common mission, teaming with those who make the trip and making it happen through prayer, support and love. Thank God for my sisters!



Woman in Pisco wearing scarf made by Jane.



Child in Pisco holding shoes he received from a sister in the USA.

Photos From the Field from Hector Del Carpio

We are including some photos sent to us by Indigenous missionary Hector Del Carpio. Hector is instrumental in all we do in the beautiful nation of Peru. Lately, he has been running back and forth from Lima to Pisco to Arequipa and then back to Pisco and Lima disbursing the support many of you have sent. He oversees construction, buys supplies for Earthquake victims, oversees construction of the little homes and buys and distributes Christmas gifts to the pastors to give out at the Feeding Centers. These pictures include some of the things Hector's been doing with help from you and us.



Two homes that are nearing completion in Pisco, Peru for Earthquake victims.



Tile being put down in the Bible School & Mission Training Center in Lima.



Christmas gifts donated for the children of Costa Azul in Lima by Kennesaw Community Church of Kennesaw, Georgia.



Some of the Christmas gifts we purchased in Lima for the children of Valle Verde. We also purchased gifts for the children in Marques, Pachacutec and Pisco.



Hector giving away shoes donated by a team, to this child in Pisco.