"For we walk by faith, not by sight." (II Corinthians 5:7)

As we continue to walk forward by faith with Team Missions, we are beginning to see what the Lord is going to do in Latin America. God is making it abundantly obvious that He is guiding us all the way. In May, I, along with several men from FBMI, went to survey the city of Lima, Peru. It was amazing to see how God is opening up the country and preparing the hearts of the people there to receive His Gospel.

Peru is a very diverse country. Lima, situated on the Pacific Coast of South America, is a desert. They only see one to two inches of rainfall every year. Despite being so close to the Equator, they see very mild temperatures year round. Travelling further inland, one will see climates ranging from snow atop the Andes Mountains to the deep jungles of the Amazon to the north. The culture is as diverse as the climate with a mixture of Incan civilization, the European Spanish culture, and thousands of unreached people scattered throughout hundreds of Amazonian villages.

By far the greatest burden laid on my heart while in Peru was these various people groups. Lima is home to more than 7.5 million people. What we found is that they are so hungry for the truth. Almost every person would accept a tract, and almost everyone that we stopped to talk to would listen to a clear presentation of the Gospel and would eagerly accept Christ as his Saviour. Those that are saved and are presently attending church have a deep hunger to learn from God's Word and grow as Christians. Peruvians are so grateful for the truth.

One particular person who was reached by a Baptist church in Lima is now working in the Ministry of Justice. Placed there by God, she is now very successful in helping Christian churches receive the same rights that the Catholic church has. We see what the Lord has done with one person who has been strategically placed in the Peruvian government and can only imagine the other great things He has done to prepare Peru to receive the Gospel.

We walk by faith because by faith we are seeing the Lord open the door to all of South America. Peru is the gateway to reach this continent. Peru is part of the Andean Community of Nations which allows the citizens of Columbia, Ecuador, Bolivia, and Peru to freely travel from country to country. With the establishment of Hyles-Anderson College of South America, the team will draw students from every Latin American country. These students will be key in reaching their native lands for Christ.

On one final note, FBMI is working to put together a strategy to reach all of South America. We are calling it church multiplication. We hope to implement this strategy in our other teams, but the ten families going on the Peru Team will have a solid year to grasp the new thinking and implement it from day one when we arrive. With this plan we hope to start several hundred churches in the next few years. God will do great things.

-Dan Hubbard, Team Leader

"AND SO WERE THE CHURCHES **ESTABLISHED IN THE FAITH**, AND **INCREASED IN NUMBER** DAILY." ACTS 16:5

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