

## Message Ministries & Missions Inc. Mission Update – January 23, 2009

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

## NEW YEAR, NEW OPPORTUNITIES! by Brian Weller

As this New Year begins we look forward to all we can do together in 2009 including:

- **Expanding** the Feeding Centers in Peru to feed more children
- . Raising up indigenous mission teams from within Peru
- Training pastors & leaders at the Hearts on Fire Bible School in Peru
- Hosting strategic mission teams from the United States
- Helping more with the Kaushal's slum school and orphanage in India

We thank you for all your help in 2008 and pray we can continue to work together, meeting needs and taking opportunities that come our way in 2009.

One of my favorite verses is Colossians 4:5 "Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity." I'll admit, there have been times I haven't lived out this verse and I wasted precious time and missed strategic opportunities God **brought my way.** Today, my prayer and commitment are that these "wastes" and "misses" will be fewer and farther apart as we approach the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. God's calling is clear! We're to fulfill the Great Commission no matter what the personal cost to ourselves. It's our heavenly mission, dispensed from God's throne, complete with His promise of fulfillment. We must discover what our part is in this Great Commission and embrace His series of divinely orchestrated appointments and opportunities. As we seek Him, God will show us our part! Be assured! It will cost our time, talents, efforts and resources to answer this call from God's sacred throne. However, it'll be well worth the investment we make now when we finally see things fully from God's perspective at the end of time.

1 Peter 2:11 says "we are aliens and strangers in the world." This verse reminds me to not get to comfortable in this fallen world. If I do, I'll surely end up living a distracted, self-centered life. I've lived that way in my past and it's not a very fulfilling way of life. My friends, now is the time for us as Christians to shine brighter than ever before! Sure, it's much easier to shine, reach out and give to those in need when times are good and we are prospering. But the mark of a dedicated believer is what we do when times are tough and when the blessings aren't flowing like they once were! Will we still feed the poor, help the hurting and comfort those in need of His comfort? Even if it's more of a sacrifice than it was before! Will we bring the message of salvation in the hard times as well as the good times? Maybe the hard times, really are the good times!!

Now is the time to pray like never before, so we ask you to pray for us, the children, the pastors, the leaders and ministries we support in Peru and in India. Please know we are praying for you, asking God to multiply the blessings in your life and to meet all your needs according to His riches in Glory!

In His love and service,



## **CLASSES BEGIN AT HEARTS ON FIRE BIBLE SCHOOL - PERU**



The first classes at the Hearts on Fire Bible School in Lima are now in session. We have 55 students attending this first trimester which began on January 14. The students attend on Wednesdays and Saturdays at one of the three different times provided for them. Most of our students work regular jobs plus work in a local ministry without pay. Hector was able to work out a schedule which accommodates most of the students. The students are excited about this opportunity to study God's Word and to be better prepared for the ministries God has called them to. Our slogan for the school is "Preparing God's people to fulfill their divine destiny."

Each class is two hours long and is divided into three parts:
Part One: REVIEW of the questions from the previous weeks class.
Part Two: VIEW the new video class and take notes.
Part Three: DISCUSSION of what they've just heard and how they can appropriate it into their ministries in a practical way.

Our students come from churches we presently work with, in the Marques, Pachacutec and Ventanilla areas of Lima. We've partnered with a ministry called Pacto De Vida Universidad which has a strong presence in Peru. They provide us through course fees, the class videos, the curriculum and syllabus books. We provide the students, the class rooms, a TV/DVD player and a class leader or pastor who moderates the classes and keeps track of homework, grades and other class obligations. We're supplementing the cost of the classes for the students by covering 35% of the cost fees to PVU. If you would like to help with the expense of training these 55 indigenous ministers, the cost for this trimester is \$600.



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