



Dearest Friends and Family,

Hope this letter finds you doing well.

This year has continue to be a blessing to me. Every day is filled with new challenges and lessons, but I have sincere joy knowing that I am doing what my Savior wants me to be doing for Him.

Thank you all for praying for the two missions teams that came to serve down here. They were a tremendous blessing to us and to all the people they came in contact with. The ESL team was able to go into many schools in Lima and not only help out with their English programs, but more importantly they were able to share the gospel with many of the students and staff.



The medical team was able to host several clinics where they helped many with both medical and spiritual needs. It was encouraging to see them all work so hard for the glory of God. I know that both teams had an influence on everyone that they had the opportunity to come in contact with.



Many of the team members were able to lead people to Christ. Both teams consisted of great students and staff from PCC, and it was amazing to watch God work in their heart while they were out dealing with the Peruvians. Many of them went back to the States with a greater burden for lost souls and a desire to return to the mission field. It was a great encouragement to me and a reminder that my purpose here is to serve Christ by serving the people here.



I was blessed with the opportunity to go on a mission trip myself this year. Along with other staff and students from Colegio Cristiano Pionero, I was able to spend a week ministering to the jungle people of Iquitos. We worked alongside the Iglesia Bautista de Gracia de Iquitos. The pastor and his family were very grateful for the work that we were able to accomplish throughout the week. They have a big desire to see the people of Iquitos repent from their immorality and come to know the saving grace of Christ. I was able to talk with the pastor's wife. She was a great encouragement to me.



The jungles of Peru was a very new experience for me, but I loved every minute of it. The city of Iquitos is filled with immorality and witchcraft, but the people there are very eager to listen to the presentation of the gospel. The mission team was given opportunities to share the truth of the gospel in 2 crowded public markets and 3 public schools. We were also able to see around 100 kids come for a 3 day VBS. It was amazing to watch my students teach VBS lessons, share the gospel to the kids through puppets, go door to door to present the salvation message, and be an encouragement to church members.



I also had the privileged to share the gospel with some of the people there. Because of their Catholic background, the people have a hard time understanding that salvation does not involve their good works. Please pray for these people that God will open their eyes to the truth. Also pray with me that God might grow the seed that we have planted in their lives.

Since we arrived a few days before the students, the other Americans and I were able to do some exploring in the Amazon area. We took a boat ride out on the Amazon to visit a native Amazonian tribe, and stopped at an animal rescue where I reluctantly held a 94 pound "baby" anaconda. The whole trip was an experience that I will not soon be forgetting.



I appreciate all of the prayers that are prayed on my behalf. I pray that God will use me here to make a difference in the lives of my students and that I would be a shining light for Christ to all of those that I meet. Thank you also to those who financially support me. Your faithfulness is appreciated more than words could ever tell.

For His Service, Kristin Powell