

International Dental Ministries-Peru Project

Sharing the love of Christ by meeting dental needs!



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Cascas, Peru

“O LORD, you
are my God;
I will exalt you
and praise your
name,
for in perfect
faithfulness
you have done
marvelous
things; things
planned long
ago.”

Is. 25:1

Peru Trip- September 4-11, 2010

It is a great pleasure to be able to share with you about IDM's most recent trip to Peru. A group of 5 travelled from the U.S. to Cusco in September and worked with ATEK for a week, serving the Quechua people. We saw God answer many prayers and do great things in the communities that we served. There were *three prayer requests* that were specifically answered. I hope that these encourage you as much as they did our team.

Prayers Answered:

1. **Customs**- Previously, we have had trouble getting all our dental instruments into Peru. While going through customs, each cart gets either a red or green light. A red light means that the bags will be searched and can be held up in customs. A green light means the bags can pass through freely. This time, the two carts with normal baggage got red lights and the cart with the dental instruments the green! All the bags getting the red light were quickly checked and we had no problems getting all our luggage into Peru. It was so encouraging to us to see God work in such a tangible way!
2. **Sickness and problems with Altitude** – Going from sea level (Lima) to 11,000 feet (Cusco) can cause symptoms ranging from shortness of breath to severe

complications requiring immediate evacuation. This was the easiest trip by far in regards to altitude. Although we were a little short of breath when walking up hills, we had no major issues with it. Also, besides one person getting sick for about 24 hours, everyone was very healthy!

3. **For the people we served**—We always desire for the people we serve to feel Christ through our actions. On this trip in both the villages we worked in, there were evangelical services at night. Many non-Christians came to the services and heard the Gospel. One of the schools we worked in invited ATEK to return and teach the Bible to all the students. We were very encouraged to see our dental work able to provide in-roads for sharing the love of Christ.



Missi and Allen cleaning teeth!



Amy and Emily trying out a portable dental unit that IDM is looking to purchase!

Future Plans

Please continue to pray for IDM as we begin plans for our next trip in the Spring of 2011. Up to this point we have been doing extractions and cleanings during our trips. We have been asked to start doing fillings which require more instruments, supplies, and the purchase of a dental unit.

We have also been asked to help develop a comprehensive dental plan to reach these areas. Please pray that this would all come together and that we would have wisdom to use our time and resources in the best way possible.

Update about ATEK

ATEK is the Christian, interdenominational, Peruvian organization that IDM partners with in Peru. Their staff is always an inspiration to us as they work diligently to reach the Quechua people for Christ.

Please also pray for ATEK as they are currently changing their strategy for reaching the Quechuas so that they can minister more effectively and efficiently. Please pray for wisdom and unity as they move forward in this new direction.

Also pray for increased funding for their programs. They, like IDM, are supported by individuals and churches from around the world. For more information about the work of ATEK you can go to www.akekperu.org.



Some of the people we served!

Thank you so much for all your prayers and support! We appreciate your partnership with IDM as we reach the Peruvian people for Christ. We could not do it without you!

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