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It Is Winter Here!  
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Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! Ramona and I pray you are well and growing in His grace.

We have moved from summer to winter here in Cusco Peru. The rain has stopped and everything is starting to dry out and turn brown. The nights get close to freezing, but the days are really hot if you are out in the sun.

We took the Jesus Film and one on alcoholism and showed them on a soccer field in a small town called Oropeso. There we met Adriana, a Christian woman with three young children. Her husband died about a year ago. She has been confined to a wheelchair for most of her life. She has a small run down house, no income, and never knows where their next meal would come from. But she was one of the most cheerful people we met there. She told us of how God had continued to provide for all of her needs in spite of losing her husband.

We decided on the spot that she needed to be the first person we would help with the community development resources we have been developing. Quechua Christians from our evangelistic team went to her house and did some repair work to keep the roof from leaking, and some other odd jobs she just couldn't do.

We also set her up with eight laying hens and several bags of chicken feed. They will provide her with eggs for a long time. The deacons from the main church we work out of here in Cusco are visiting her on a weekly basis to make sure things go a little better for her. There is a picture of Adriana, her children, Ramona and some of the deacons on our [Photo Bucket Page](#). The link is also listed below.

Every Friday night we go to small villages with names like Conchacalla, Chimpahualia and Siskum. Names you can't even find on a Peru map, but places where God is leading us to present who He is, and what His Scripture has to say about not just daily life, but eternal life. These trips are usually on one lane roads or paths that snake back and forth as they go up the side of the mountains. Please pray for safety as we navigate these challenging roads. Pray also that God will open doors for us to share His Gospel. Sometime we just go in cold and set up our screen on a soccer field or basketball court. Sometimes we seek out the local librarian and ask to use the community library. We have never been turned away. From one point of view, we are the only entertainment the village has seen. Many have never seen a movie at all, so some people just come out of curiosity.

We still use the Acappella music to attract attention when we are setting up our equipment. I started mixing in Mexican Christian salsa music just to see what would

happen. That style of music has never been heard here, even by the Quechua Christians, so it tends to draw in younger people to see what is going on.

We have had some problems getting our resident visas. Ramona and I had to make a quick trip out of the country to Santiago Chile last week, so that we could return with new tourist visas. Please pray for our Team members in Lima who are trying to work out the visa problems that all missions, not just Mission to the World are having.

You may have been receiving our email updates but they stopped. We haven't stopped sending them. If you have changed your email address and did not let us know your update gets returned to us and the bad address gets dropped. If this update has been forwarded to you, or you see it on the bulletin board at church and want to get an update directly, please email us at the address below and we will see that that happens.

Thank you for your continued prayer and financial support. Your faithfulness helps keep the ministry going here.

Lord Bless,

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