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## 2 Timothy 2:2

2 The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.



A Micro SD card below the USB drive - 400 are distributed and 300 more ordered!

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June 28 Jon Simpson and I traveled to Peru to distribute and train pastors and leaders to use the SD card courses for training leaders. Since the covid emergency decree was still in place, I was not sure how this trip would work out. It was a fast-paced trip, spending about two days in each location. We were greatly pleased to see the graduate group of 21 pastors and leaders gather in Chulucanas. They were eager and quick to learn the new technology.

Jorge Guterez, a member of World Reach Peru who is leading our Bible Institutes, lead the group through installation and working through some demo lessons of the four courses on the SD card. There is video and PDF files for them work through the course work. We also supplied them with a hard copy of printed materials that the card contains, about 300 pages! One pastor did not have a phone and one had a phone that was too old to accept the SD app. Not bad for our first outing in Peru with the card!



These pastors are graduates of the basic Bible Institute and currently in the second level. They are from very rural areas. Many travel by motorcycle or by horse in the mountains. Our coordinators there will train some other pastors who were not able to attend. The coordinators were excited to be able to take this SD card to four other regions and hopefully this will lead to a desire to host a Bible Institute. As we left, they were sincerely thankful and said we were "brave" to come. (Covid is still a big problem in Peru).

After Chulucanas, we drove back the airport, flew to Lima, then waited for another plane to fly to Tarapoto, then drove about 2 ½ hours to Alao. The mountain roads were washed out in many places slowing our arrival until well after it was dark. We were welcomed at the church, then taken to get some food at the only little roadside restaurant I saw in the village. This site is very rural, in a valley surrounded by mountains and flanked by two rivers. I was warned it would be hot, but since it was their winter, the high temp was only in the lower 90's.

We had a larger group in Alao. This will be the first class taught in this region. Pastor Kerlin, pictured with his family was a graduate from the class taught in Sisa.



Covid interrupted the launch of this new class. Over two days we had over 70 receive SD cards or a USB of the materials. Some who attended did not own a phone and we had several with phones not compatible with the SD card, mostly due to no slot for the card or an antique phone. Phone service is spotty in this region.

The leaders were very enthusiastic, and doors were opened for spreading the training into other regions. Some leaders of a denomination came from Tarapoto to check us out, and I was reminded of why we do what we do. It makes the grueling travel, bouncy car

rides, hard beds and lack of running water not so important when you see these people hungry to study God's Word. The church needs trained leaders and opportunities are rare for these men in rural locations.



Maria Stephania Velez from Medellin, Colombia began working with us about 8 years ago. She has translated and co-taught with Lolly many times. She graduated with a degree in engineering but has a heart to serve God. She learned German so she could spend a year in Germany on a mission's trip working with a Christian School. She also lived and worked as a counselor for a year in a rehab center for women. Over the last several years I have encouraged and coached her to serve God. Maria made formal

application to join our team and the board of World Reach just approved her! We are excited about ministry she will be able to do with us and also to launch some new initiatives. There are many open doors for women's ministry because there is not much ministry to women in Colombia. She is currently studying online with Birmingham Theological Seminary and studying

Christian Counseling. Please pray and consider helping us raise her support. If you would like to donate for Maria's ministry, send funds to World Reach and designate the gift for Maria Stephania Velez.

The past year and a half have been a challenge, but we have seen God do great things. We added Cristian and Maria to the Colombia team and one more young man hopefully will be approved in October. God is raising up a great team to impact Colombia. We have been diligently working to revamp and roll out a new and improved Bible Institute. It is going to be very exciting to see God use our training platform via online, SD card or in person training.

I am finalizing plans for a multi city trip to Colombia in September. Please pray God will put the agenda together. I will take Simon, Maria and Anderson to take part in ministry. Thank you for your support. It is making Kingdom impact. Blessings,  
Bobby and Lolly Wilson



The pastors from Cuevas are headed home!



The smile says, "the SD card really works!"