



Some of the first year students-- the new church planters in the Patagonia region of Argentina.



Jerry with Manuel, one of the many pastors/professors who give of their time each year to teach during the bimester of the Patagonian Bible Institute.



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The Patagonian Experience

Excitement was in the air as the 2011 Spring bimester of the Patagonian Bible Institute opened its doors for study to all of those Argentines who live in the expansive southern part of Argentina, nearly a thousand miles from Buenos Aires. This time a fourth year of classes was added and we were invited to help "kick off" the new school year by teaching the DNA of the Pentecostal Church, Church Planting and Church Growth, the book of Acts and Evangelism.

Missionaries Martin and Charlotte Jacobson, directors of the school, have done a great work overseeing its growth and development for the past 21 years. The Eddie Echeverrias are also part of the team and serve as Dean and faculty. The success of the workers produced has been impacted by the fact that nearly all of the faculty members are pastors, themselves, who donate time each year to teach.

Peruvian Church Planting Conference

The last week of January was spent with nearly 900 pastors in Lima, where the Assemblies of God sponsored a National Congress on Church Growth in which Jerry presented Church Growth through Multiplication. As a result of some unusual circumstances, the Lord brought together strategic people to help draw up a working plan that discarded the original idea limited to the city of Lima and expanded the vision to include all 24 provinces. Superintendent Espinosa's vision now sees the training of 2,000 new church planters this year. Our fall schedule will return us there to prepare national pastors for the task of mentoring this army of men and women whom the Lord will use to give his church its greatest harvest in the past 70 years.

WE THANK EACH ONE OF YOU FOR STANDING WITH US IN PRAYER AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT, ENABLING US TO TOUCH THE LIVES OF LEADERS AND STUDENTS ALL OVER THIS LATIN CONTINENT FOR THE KINGDOM OF GOD. WE PRAY FOR YOU AS WELL, THAT THE LORD WILL BLESS YOU IN EVERY WAY, ESPECIALLY IN THESE TIMES OF UNCERTAINTY.

WE LOVE AND APPRECIATE YOU,

(Jerry & Vicki)

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