



Abide in Christ

Prayer and Praise with
Wil and Ann Pounds

Peniel Seminary Buildings in Use!

Above the new cafeteria-church building near completion. We are on schedule to complete the first floor of the class room building and have it ready for the January 2021 classes.

The Nuevo Amanecer Quichua Church where Alberto Copa pastors was first to use the new cafeteria-church building on the Peniel Seminary campus on Sunday, November 8, 2020.



Always great food at the Seminary meetings



Soccer after the lunch break.



Students getting ready for the retreat.

"PLEASE, LORD, MAY YOUR EAR BE ATTENTIVE TO THE PRAYER OF YOUR SERVANT AND THE PRAYER OF YOUR SERVANTS" (NEHEMIAH 1:11).

Peniel Seminary held its Annual Student Faculty Retreat in the cafeteria-church building on Saturday, November 15, 2020.

I would have rather dreamed big and failed than to sit and do nothing.



Stair case leading to second floor, and the first story roof being prepared for pouring of concrete the second week of December.

Alejandro Guacho has been a faithful colleague, pastor and friend over the past ten years. He pastors a spiritually healthy congregation of Quechuas in Riobamba. During the past ten year we have put thousands of miles on his beatup pickup truck as we have criss crossed the country going to churches, conferences, seminary extension locations, evangelism teams, medical-dental-evangelism teams, etc. He has faithfully provided transportation. I have also used the time travelling to mentor him as a student and pastor. I have watched him grow in his passion for evangelism and pastoring.

With tears of a thankful heart during one of our ZOOM sessions he recently shared what



Nueva Amanecer Evangelical Church worship.



Nueva Amanecer Church Women's Choir



Peniel Theological Seminary Annual Fall Retreat on property November 15, 2020.

he has learned during these trips and how he is now mentoring or discipling seminary students.

Every student must complete an internship in a church under the leadership of a pastor before they can graduate. It seems incredible to me how older Quechua pastors are jealous of these young students at Peniel. They often do not give the new students an opportunity to put into practice what they are learning. Alejandro takes these students who do not have an opportunity to serve and invites them to do their internship with him at Genesis Evangelical Church. He said, **"Brother Wil, I am doing exactly what you did with me, and have taught me to do. You took me under your care and disciplined me, and now I have the privilege of doing the same with them."** He takes them on evangelism trips, gives them opportunity to preach and teach classes in his church.

Alejandro is a missionary going out from his church to make disciples in unreached communities of Ecuador. Our evangelism professors take students and give them practical experience in ministry. Alejandro and Damaso Francisco have worked with us on medical dental teams and have the experience to take an Ecuadorian medical

doctor and dentist along with students and go to unreached locations and share the gospel. The Department of Evangelism and Missions puts the seminary education into practice. They are doing what we taught them to do. Alejandro and Damaso were taught by our experienced teams how to share Christ with medical dental evangelism teams in the rural communities.

We praise our Lord that through these faculty and students the Lord has given us a great ministry that will continue for generations to come.



Above photo of the forms for the roof on the first floor of the class room building. Cafeteria is in background. On the left and below are also the forms for the roof. Concrete is being poured as I write this report.



We are planning on construction teams from the U.S. helping in the future as soon as international travel is resumed.

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Alejandro and Damaso with Peniel mission team students in a Shusufindi jungle community. Even with the coronavirus they are making strategic trips. They are ready to begin student mission teams as soon as possible. Please pray for them.