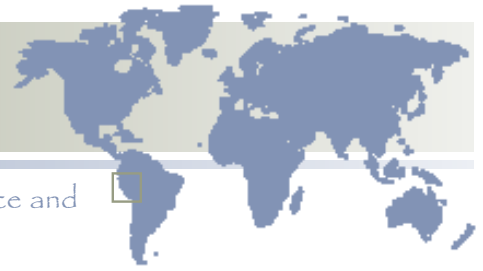




# Ron & Michelle Smith

Lima, Peru



"Ask of Me and I will give you the nations for your inheritance and the ends of the earth for your possession." Psalm 2:8

January 2010

**Happy New Year from Peru!!!** We hope that everyone had a great Christmas and that you rejoiced in all the ways God has blessed you this past year. We definitely count your friendship, prayers and support at the top of our families list of blessings. Thank you to each and every one of you who helped us to have one of the best Christmas' we have had here in Peru. Not to mention the best year so far.

We have been able to feel a major difference or shift in the family and ministry this last couple of months. Now that we are past the three year mark, we are starting to see things more clearly without all of the stress of living in a foreign land. The kids are doing well in school and growing up so fast. They are on summer break until the first week of February and are enjoying the time off for sure.

### Churches.....

With a new year also comes the opportunity to evaluate how things are going and to ask God to show us what He is asking us to do in the upcoming year. In the past three years we have stayed away from planting churches so we could better serve the local body of Christ. We feel like in 2010 God is leading us to begin to plant churches in different areas of Peru. This is something we need you to be in prayer with us for. Have you ever planted a garden and waited for the seeds to come up? It seems like it takes forever and then one day you see the plant break the ground and it brings hope. After that it seems like you could almost watch it grow in front of your eyes. That is what we feel like our work is like here at this time. Seeds we have planted for the last three years have broken through the realm of the invisible and are now showing signs of life. This church planting project is one of those plants. That is why it is necessary to have as many of you praying for this as possible. We want to see these opportunities to bear a lot of fruit for the kingdom of God, and your prayers will help to sustain and protect this growth.

Our home church, Iglesia Centro de Fuego (Fire Center Church) is growing. We have new people starting to come and we are ready to send a small group to another part of Lima to start a sister church. We will keep you informed in the months to come on how this unfolds.

### Bible Schools.....

The New Year is also bringing change to the Bible Schools or Ministry training centers. The school we started last year is at the half way point and the students are growing. In February we will be starting another satellite school about one and a half hours north of Lima with around 35 new students. Like our other school, many of the students are pastors or leaders in their churches. They have little to no formal training and are extremely excited for the opportunity to study and have something to offer those who look to them for leadership.

We are also in the preparation stage of opening a missionary training program with a couple of other pastors here in Lima. We will begin to send them out to plant churches and hopefully start feeding programs as part of their new work. It is our desire to send them with the same food we are giving to other ministries and with Derek Prince books that will bridge the gap with other ministries in the area. We want to raise the whole body

"Give me the love that leads the way, the faith that nothing can dismay, the hope no disappointments tire, the passion that will burn like fire, let me not sink to be like a clod: Make me Thy fuel, Flame of God!" Amy Carmichael

Serving in Peru



of Christ to another level and not just our work. This area of ministry needs your constant prayer for God to continue to send us Peruvian missionaries to send out.

**Derek Prince Radio.....**

We are also in the process of re-recording the radio teachings from Derek Prince. His teachings are so good and foundational they bless all those who hear them. We are currently on two radio stations and starting to talk to a couple more. Once these 600 teachings are finished, we will start to contact stations all over South America. In this area please pray for opened doors and favor with the station managers. This is a costly project if they do not give us free air time. We have a meeting with a congressman in Ecuador in February to present these teachings to him. So please pray.

**Update.....**

Since our conference in August, God has opened many opportunities for ministry. Michelle has spoken at a couple of women’s meetings and is preparing to return to Iquitos (the jungle) the end of the month (January) to speak at the Daughters of Destiny conference. I will be speaking in two different cities in Ecuador at the end of February. And the books you helped us to translate and print from Dr. Michael Brown (A Time for Holy Fire) have gone into Argentina, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Colombia, Brazil, and Mexico. God is beginning to answer our prayers to give us influence in all of South America and to bring revival. We believe the connection to these countries is just like the plant starting to break through the soil. Thank you for being behind our family this last year. Together we will see fruit for the Kingdom of God and stand before Him one day and hear well done. You all are a vital part and we are so grateful to you.



*Chad in Iquitos... the main mode of transportation is motorcycles and mototaxis*

**God’s richest blessings in this New Year,  
Ron, Michelle, Chad, Lauren and Kaila**



*Women's conference in Iquitos*



*Some of the kids in the jungles praying for other kids at a children's service. It was awesome to watch them praying over each other!*