

# Inter-American Bible Institute

"Come, follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."

Matthew 4:19

A Christian Leadership School in Lima, Peru Summer 2015

## Preaching Seminar Drives New Student Enrollment



Members of IBI Faculty and Students in January 2015 with Dr. Yalaupari

IBI is happy to announce five students began their studies at the institute in March! So far the students are adjusting well to their studies.

A typical day for IBI students begins at 8:00 AM with breakfast at a neighborhood restaurant. The students have a devotional period at 8:30 and classes begin at 9:00. Typically, the students break at 12:00 for lunch and resume classes again at 2:00. In the afternoon and evening, the students pursue their secular training courses at a nearby technical school. The students select a training curriculum at the school such as automobile mechanics, tailoring, business management, and culinary arts. The combined coursework is a challenge and time-consuming, but is overall rewarding. On the weekends, students volunteer at a number of churches throughout Lima. This gives them the opportunity to learn how to teach and lead worship, but even more important, how to serve the Lord through service in the community.

Director Maximo Collao hosted a national preaching seminar in early February, which helped introduce IBI to a number of ministers throughout the country. After the seminar, several ministers went back to their home congregations and urged their young members to explore the opportunities IBI offered. Several students enrolled this semester as a result and we anticipate enrollment will increase next semester as well.

We thank our supporters for making this Kingdom work a success. Without your financial contributions, prayers, and spreading the word about IBI's mission to your friends and congregations, our growth would not be possible.

## Meeting With Jim Arnold in Nashville

On April 4, board members Dr. Tom Seals, David Collao, and Chris Adams had the pleasure of meeting with one of IBI's long-time supporters Jim Arnold and his daughter Barbara Hillman as they traveled through Nashville. Mr. Arnold started the Arnold Scholarship Fund as a way to pay student tuition and room & board. Currently, this scholarship supports six students each month. It was encouraging to meet with Mr. Arnold and Ms. Hillman and let them know how much their interest impacts the lives of our students.

#### Are We Facebook Friends?

Did you know that IBI has a Facebook page? We are working to increase IBI's visibility in social media, so if you don't already "like" IBI on Facebook, we hope you'll check out our page and "like" us there! We have been able to reach over 400 people using social media so

far and hope you'll help us increase our reach across this platform:

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## Recent Board Member Visits to IBI



Board Member Jacobo Chalco teaches a class at IBI in May

Two of our board members have recently visited Lima and worked with IBI students and faculty. Last December, Dr. Juan Yalaupari spent several weeks in Lima and had the opportunity to teach at the institute. Likewise, Jacobo Chalco just returned from Lima where he met with faculty and taught during his visit.

#### **Support Needed for 2 Ministers**

We always want to pass along opportunities for service to the Kingdom in Peru and elsewhere. We have developed relationships with 2 ministers in Lima who need additional financial support. For the past 3 years, IBI has given financial support to **Pedro Ccalla**, a minister at the Lucyana church of Christ in Lima, when his sponsoring church in the US could no longer support him. Likewise, **Jonathan Cooper** is an American minister working in a congregation in Lima. He has also taught on an adjunct basis at IBI and has been an enthusiastic supporter of the Institute. Although IBI's primary focus is training and equipping our students and faculty rather than supporting local ministers full-time, we want to spread the word of these 2 disciples. If you

may know of a church or group who wishes to support them in any way, please let us know.

## Student Spotlight: Urbano Barrientos



Urbano Barrientos outside the Iglesia de Cristo en Collique

During our last board meeting, we had the pleasure of speaking with Urbano via Skype. Urbano began his studies at IBI in March 2014 and is scheduled to graduate this December. He is also studying automobile repair at the technical school. In addition to his studies, Urbano is the minister at the church of Christ in Collique. He is an impressive young man and devoted Christian leader. Please lift him up in prayer, along with our other students, as they develop their discipleship skills at IBI.

#### Dr. Juan Yalaupari Joins IBI Board

Longtime supporters and friends of IBI will be familiar with our newest board member: Dr. Juan Yalaupari. "Doctor Juan" has assisted with the Lipscomb Medical Mission Trips to Lima for 13 years and specializes in pediatric medicine in Mexico City, Mexico. Thousands of medical mission patients have enjoyed his warm demeanor, great sense of humor, and love of Christ. Dr. Yalaupari has been a long-time supporter of the work at IBI and we are very happy to have him on the board of directors, effective January of this year.

We always appreciate your interest and support of the Inter-American Bible Institute. If you know of anyone interested in learning more about this work, please contact:

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