

OUR FIRST VISIT

For my wife Suzanne and I, this was our first visit to Peru . Observing the ministry in action and meeting the men, women and especially the children whom it serves, was a profoundly emotional experience for us. The gratitude of the mothers, was especially humbling. We look forward to supporting the Ministry now and in the future and encourage others to do so as well. – Tom Homrich



After years of hearing about Alto Trujillo from my parents and others, I finally traveled to Peru myself. I can truly say that what I saw left me completely speechless. Even after hundreds of stories and countless pictures, I was not prepared for the overwhelming presence of God that is so felt in this community. The hundreds of lives that have been positively affected by the dedication and perseverance of this ministry is a true testament of God's faithfulness. -Suzanne Homrich

A PERUVIAN EYE OPENER

Traveling to Peru was an experience I will never forget! I am so thankful to have been given this opportunity to see how another part of our world lives. Sister Immaculata showed us the projects that were made possible with donations from the Ministry of the Good Shepherd. Day care centers, technical centers, the library, and different schools... It was amazing to see and hear how these programs have touched the lives of the children. I realized how truly blessed we are here in the United States. It made me appreciate the things I have, and not focus so much on the things I do not. The people in Alto Trujillo have very, very little yet their hearts and lives reflect joy and love.-Shelly Heemskerck



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Saturday, April 8, 2017

5 to 8 p.m.

Mercy Center

Adults: \$12.00 Children: \$6.00

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We would love to share our stories and hopes with you. Please call us if you are interested.

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THREE GENERATIONS VISIT ALTO TRUJILLO

There is a poignant scene in Luke's gospel where Jesus is attending his local synagogue and is given the scroll to read. It is Isaiah 61: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because He has anointed me to bring good news to the poor...proclaim liberty to captives...sight to the blind...freedom for the oppressed..." He rolls up the scroll and declares "Today, this passage is fulfilled in your midst" in other words, "You have been *READING*; now we will be *DOING*."

I cite this passage because for many people skeptical of organized religion, what they long to see is the *DOING* - the living of Gospel values in the here and now. This is the evidence that moves their hearts and even their minds. This is the kind of evidence that is so beautifully presented by Sister Immaculata and the community in Alto Trujillo.

Within the last six months, I have had the joy of bringing my son Daniel, his wife Angela and my granddaughter Lola to Trujillo to see that "doing"; that real life living of the Gospel. They got to see first hand how the challenges of extreme poverty can be met by people of faith and vision with the support of generous donors. My son wanted Lola to see children who are living not in affluence as she is - but in harsh poverty. He wanted her to see the challenges they must confront *DAILY* and to understand what kind of help is really beneficial. They saw dancing, laughing, singing and even "live chess! We got to meet children on school break enrolled in "Plan Lector", learning math, reading and getting a full nutritious meal, thanks to Ministry support for the Care Centers and "Send a Child to School." We met the young adults staffing the new Pusak Youth Performing Arts Center and hear of their plans and dreams to evangelize. We visited the St. Torribio School for Special Children, to which we fund the transport of over 40 children who would otherwise be shunned.

Dan confessed that he was "exhausted" seeing and hearing about the work Sister is doing - and at the same time, deeply gratified to see how the funds that are donated bear such amazing good fruits. He found this opportunity to be with someone who is a living embodiment of gospel values to be inspiring and humbling and would heartily recommend the trip to other families.

Marjorie O'Sullivan
Board Member



Many of you have heard the news about the terrible flooding that recently took place in Peru. Sister Immaculata, and all of the people and buildings in Alto Trujillo were not affected. Many others have not been as fortunate. Please keep them in your prayers. Thank you.