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Dear Friends in Christ,

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A group of 11 from Valley Forge Baptist Temple came to visit us. Youth pastor Brandon Joyner, his wife Ilene, Bro. Jim Gerow and 8 young people formed the team. 2 were seniors this coming year and 7 had just graduated. So while many high school graduates are saving for college, these paid to come and work for us. And work they did! They sanded, painted, chiseled, and poured concrete at our staff house in the mornings. In the afternoons, they held a 4 day VBS program at our church in Lurín where our radio tower is located.

They put their heart into all they did and enjoyed every minute of whatever was thrown their way. From their laughter, they seemed to have a blast at the VBS programs as they planted the seed of the Word of God in little hearts and made friends with the kids. Kids don't mind language barriers. They just find a way to relate to those who show them love. These young people from Valley Forge had a thirst for knowing and serving God and it showed.

The last two groups have helped us so much in very needy areas of our ministries. I doubt if they realize the impact they have on lives and how much of a blessing they are to us. We would not have our staff house this far along in construction if it were not for those who have come down to help us. Ruth and I are always open to having groups to come and work with us. If your church has never taken a mission trip to a foreign country, we encourage you to pick a missionary and go visit to see his or her ministry up close. It can and should be a life changing experience.

Many of you have asked about the four licenses for radio frequencies we are seeking. The government approved our applications so we have been officially accepted to enter into the auction. Thank you for praying. We have until August 24 to present our closed envelope bid.

We also know how many other companies or individuals have been accepted. With one frequency, we are the only bidder! So all we have to do is raise the bid by one sol (about 33 cents) above the required base bid, and the license should be ours. This is our hope.

The competition is very fierce for the other three. There are some well-known and powerful radio stations who will also be bidding for the frequencies. No one knows what the other bids will be except God. So this leads us to our prayer request. Please pray for the Lord to guide us in what He wants us to do. These are amazing opportunities and it is our desire to get the gospel to these needy areas.

After the formal placing of bids, all parties wait for the government to announce who will be granted the licenses. So our second prayer request is for the Lord to grant us all the licenses He would desire. Once you get a license, the real work begins: obtaining a transmitter, a location for the transmitter, an office, tower, cables, etc. Just one station is a big undertaking. We will only be bidding on four because we did not want to over extend. If granted 4 licenses, we have a workable and realistic plan. If you would like to know more detailed information, you may request that by email. We will trust the Lord to do all He wants.

For Christ's glory,
Stanley and Ruth Templeton

