

The Beans' Talk: Update from Mark and Patti Bean

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Answers to your prayers for the Old Testament workshop out in Pomabamba.

We found Pomabamba to be a quaint old town full of very friendly people. Quechua is definitely their language.

Travel:

All the equipment made it safely. The trips were adventures: roads closed, a flat tire, tying on a radiator with scraps of rubber, a sheered off bolt that held the wheel onto the bus, the bus nearly tipping over when off in a ditch, and lots of switchbacks. See them on the right?



Accommodations:

A bit of a surprise here. The "hotel" was more like an abandoned municipal project outside of town. Definitely some stories to tell. The very nice surprise is that we were next door to thermal baths.

I was concerned about the prospect of cooking over a fire. But, since the building had nothing: no plates, pots, utensils, ...I was "saved." A neighbor fed us breakfast on her porch. For lunch & supper, we hiked a steep 20 minutes up to town. Good food, but tummy problems included at no charge!

Volunteers & Work:

No pastors joined us during the workshop. We did, however have a warm reception teaching in every church in town and even in some nearby towns. A committee of three volunteers gave good input over several chapters of Genesis.





