



South America

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Still Missionaries, New Responsibilities

It was one year ago while sitting in our apartment in Buenos Aires, Argentina, where we had served for seventeen years, that we received a phone call from Global Missions Director Bruce Howell that would change our lives. He told us we had been elected as the new regional director for South America. We accepted the call and on January 1, 2022, we began to serve the fourteen missionary families, the ten nations and the 816,750 constituents of the South America region.

As regional directors we are still missionaries, however we are missionaries to an entire region with expanded responsibilities. So, we still need your prayers and certainly need your continued PIM support as we fulfill this new and exciting role. Thank you and God bless you!



The Floating Church of Peru



In August of this year, we were blessed to participate in the inauguration and dedication of the first floating church of the United Pentecostal Church. This was the culmination of the vision of the church of Puna, Peru, the national leadership of the UPCI of Peru and Bro. and Sis. Monte Showalter, International Evangelists, who have worked tirelessly to see this dream fulfilled.

In 2019 the church presented their desire to have a building that could be used to reach this unique area of the world.

The church of Puna is located on Lake Titicaca, the largest and highest navigable lake in the world, and has many islands that are built of floating reeds. These reeds are cut and laid out over the water where people build reed homes and businesses, forming little villages and communities. The Puna church had the vision and dream of building a floating church building that could be towed to the different villages and communities to evangelize and reach the people living in those areas.



What a great service we had! As we stepped off the boat we were greeted with a full instrumental band and saints that were standing and worshipping on a reed mat that was floating on 10 ft of water. As the building was dedicated, the presence of God moved in a beautiful way.

We're thankful for the vision of the Puna church and the national church of Peru, the tremendous help of Bro. and Sis. Showalter and those that contributed to this incredible project!

