



JUDGES 21:25

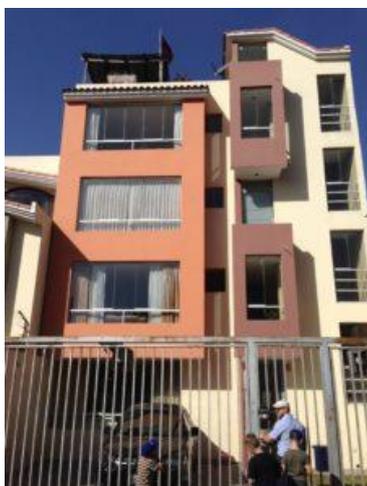
The closing of the book of Judges (21:25) reflects well the circumstances during those days. This book of the Bible isn't an easy read and often not very uplifting. Many horrible stories can be found and some of it is difficult to process.

"In those days there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in his own eyes." This sentence reflects our own society today as well. Where do our standards of conduct and rules come from? Who has the right to tell me what to do? With Jesus as our King and Savior, this shouldn't be too difficult to answer.

Having arrived?!

We landed in Lima on the 3rd of August to start some paperwork. Our final destination was **Arequipa** and we arrived there on August 6th.

Here we are standing in front of our apartment. We live all the way up – on the 4th floor.



A week after our arrival, the boys started **school** already. Many have prayed for them and we are very thankful to God (huge answer to prayer!) that they had a great start despite the fact that they are not able to speak the language (yet). They really enjoy their time there.

We are very thankful as well that they are able to commute with the school bus every day.



Ben and Daniela started **language school** a week after and we are progressing bit by bit. Oftentimes we aren't able to start homework until the kids are in bed, which can be exhausting.



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Training for the Quechua

The header on the first page shows the group picture of a training that has been offered for tutors of the Quechua. Most of those tutors are theological students themselves. They follow the program "Theological Education by Extension" (TEE). More than 50 tutors participated in this training weekend.



One of the German missionaries in our team organized this training. He invited two speakers as well (Ernst Walder and Dirk Poganatz). They made sure the training was very practical and useful for the Quechua. They gave helpful theological advice about how to lead smallgroups more efficiently.

Despite the barriers in language, it was very beneficial for Ben to participate in that training and to get a better impression of the ministry.

The team

Our Arequipa team consists of different nationalities: USA, Australia, Switzerland, Canada and other Germans.



We are grateful that we do not have to minister by ourselves and that we can lift each other up in prayer.

The team (including all the kids) gave us a **welcome party**.



We are very thankful to have **mentors** who help us in many practical ways. This is especially helpful in the beginning time where our Spanish isn't as developed yet. Having to get a cellphone contract i.e. is easier with someone who actually understands what is in it...

Phone numbers

We can finally be reached via phone (especially through WhatsApp).

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Or via **Skype**:

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We would love to hear from you as well and know how we can be praying for you.

Greetings from Arequipa,

Ben & Daniela
Joel, Timothy und Jason

Prayer

Praise:

- the prayer support for the boys starting school
- strength in this beginning phase of language learning

Request:

- accomplishing the challenges in our daily routine
- granting of our resident permit without complications
- health

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