



## Back in Lima with CLIE

At the end of June I traveled to Lima again, this time to participate in a conference for booksellers and pastors. The sponsor was Spanish publisher CLIE, who also paid for my travel and accommodations.

It was a great time because I was able to meet many people in leadership and in the bookselling community. It was also a great time getting to know Alfonso Triviño, a Spaniard, who is the executive director of CLIE. We spent many hours discussing ideas and projects relating to books and education. Ties between Senderis and CLIE were strengthened and we are already planning similar future activities. The mission of CLIE is very similar to that of Senderis: To make quality resources available to Christian pastors and academics in Latin America, and to support training and education.

The main event of the trip was a conference at which Alfonso and I showed CLIE's new materials and at which I also gave a workshop on biblical interpretation. We had about 60 bookstore owners in the morning and almost 100 pastors from many different denominations in the evening. The book distributor that we worked with very generously offered to help organize conferences in the future.

## Laptop deployed

The day before I traveled a supporter reminded me she wanted to help with computers for pastors, so so I wrote back right away and



Pastors at interpretation workshop



Alfonso Triviño Director of CLIE



we arranged for funding. I was able to go shopping with Reynaldo Rubio, my main contact in Peru, and purchase him a refurbished laptop! This could be a good habit. If you would like to help provide a laptop on my next trip let me know.

## Two needs in Bolivia

I have recently become aware of two needs in Bolivia. Would you like to help?

1. Juan Medina, the director of the Bible School in Santa Cruz where I taught at this May is going to have an operation for some cysts in his lower intestine. He does not make a lot of money and has no health insurance (or retirement for that matter). The operation will cost about \$2500 USD. This is the type of thing where anything helps.



With Juan Medina

2. Marcelino Tapia, director of an important Baptist seminary in Cochabamba has been looking very hard for funding for a trip to Romania, where an important worldwide meeting of seminary level educators is taking place. His trip will also cost \$2500 USD. I consider this trip very important because of the impact such training will have on the Bolivian church in the long run.

## Bolivia Book donation proceeding

As part of the Senderis/CLIE relationship, I have been organizing a donation of books for the Bible School in Bolivia where I taught (CIET). Because of the recent policies of Evo Morales, the socialist president of Bolivia, it is very difficult to import books into that country. But I believe that the need for good Christian books is great and necessitates creative approaches from time to time. Therefore, we have decided on a strategy of sending the

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"Maybe we should be selling our shirts and buying books, so that the books get to the third world."

I. HOWARD MARSHALL - British New Testament scholar

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books to a US location where they will be taken in little by little by missionaries and short-term missions teams from a missionary agency that works in Bolivia. I usually advocate using local bookstores and distributors, so that their business is not hurt by donations, but in this case it's either the creative approach or nothing.



*The busy streets of Lima*

## DEVELOPING SENDERIS SCHEDULE

August 7-10\*: Global contextualization conference in Oxford, England (Rob will deliver a paper). Meet with CLIE in Barcelona, Spain.

End of September: Teaching and networking trip to Cuba in partnership with ECHO-Cuba ([www.echocuba.org](http://www.echocuba.org)).

January 2009: Lausanne 2010 preparation meeting in Panama (Rob will deliver a paper).

March 2009: Backl to Lima? I am now thinking about doing two separate conferences here and possibly a short term missions trip.

\* Travel for this event is paid by the organizaer. Did you know you can donate airmiles to Senderis? They are tax-deductible. See [www.senderis.com](http://www.senderis.com) for details.

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