

# Guitar Aid



# NEWSLETTER

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Hi There!

This has been a really exciting year, with six missions taking place. We started the year in Bulgaria, where we had an excellent time. The highlight of the year was our visit to Peru, the first time for us in South America. The invite for this trip came from Mark Wiltshire, AOG Missions Director. This was an opportunity we could not miss.

### **GUITAR AID IN PERU, SOUTH AMERICA**



The venue for this meeting was in Cusco, Peru. The reason, was to have a personal consultation with missionaries serving in the Americas. It was a time of sharing together each other's vision, more importantly, the chance to let them know we are thinking about them and praying for them back in the UK. The missionaries were gathered together, from Colombia, Panama and various parts of Peru.

At the end of the time we spent with them, we presented them with a guitar to take home. Spending time in South America was made even more special, as our contact in Cusco, Steve Hobby, had arranged for us to visit many of the significant places in the Inca Heartland. For all of us, the highlight was visiting Machu Picchu. The first view of this amazing place at sunrise, takes your breath away. This trip was a wonderful combination of Mission and Exploration of the country. Mark and his wife, were celebrating 25yrs of marriage, and Liz and I were celebrating 30 years. This trip enabled us to combine a mission with the opportunity to take in some of the unique culture Peru has to offer.



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**ARACELLY**

Hi, my name is Aracelly, from 'Darkest Peru'. We are touched by our brothers & sisters who came all the way from the UK to see us in Cusco Peru. We had a great time sharing, laughing & praying for one another. Dave & Liz, thank you so much for such a beautiful guitar to worship God. What a wonderful gift!! May the Lord continue blessing you as you bless people through Guitar Aid around the world.

Aracelly Hobby. - Cusco, Peru, South America.



**DARY LUZ TAYLOR**

We went to a missions conference in Cusco, Peru. At the end of the conference we were amazingly surprised, to be given two electro acoustic guitars from Dave Sumner, Guitar Aid. This has been an answer to prayer, and a blessing from God. These will be used in the Oasis of Hope school, Santa Marta, Colombia.

Dary Luz Taylor Colombia.



**AMANDA ALVARADO**

A young worship leader / guitar player, arrived at our Church, Casa de Oracion, Bienaventuranza in Colon Panama, to help us in ministry. He said to me, "Can you give me a guitar?" I had none to give. In the Mission Consultation in Peru, I met David Sumner, who gave guitars to the missionaries. This will help us in our worship & outreach services. Thanks!

Amanda - Missionary to Panama.

In this last year, we have given 170 guitars. This is an increase on previous years. Each guitar we give, represents a life changed. The instrument you sponsor, can have a huge impact on the local community, as well as the individual. If you haven't already done, why not consider coming along side us, and being a part of the vision and ministry of Guitar Aid.

## BULGARIA, ROMANIA, SLOVAKIA & HUNGARY



We started the year with a great weekend in **Bulgaria**, sharing in the C3 Church in Stara Zagora. We took guitars to Gypsy communities as well as the main Church. In **Romania**, we had the privilege of attending the opening of the new Church in Hunedoara. 13 years earlier, we stood on the land and prayed with Pastor

Vurel, holding up his hands as we prayed. What a blessing to see the new Church open! In Hungary, we attended the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Church in Bekescaba.

We took instruments and a band from Riverside, Exeter, to Campfest. What an amazing time we had, worshiping together with 7,000 in **Slovakia**. One of the highlights of this year was the visit of **Brano Letko** and his family, who brought their unique style of worship to the Guitar Aid celebration evening. Thank you so much for your support, we really appreciate it!

Dave Sumner.

A blue ink signature that reads "Dave Sumner".

