When Have We Seen You... *(Matthew 25)*

. . . in the coastal cities? . . . in the mountain communities . . . in the rain forest?

A PILGRIMAGE IN

**ON THE OCCASION OF 20 YEARS OF PARTNERSHIP**

sponsored by:
Red Uniendo Manos Peru, Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy Joining Hands Peru Partnership, and the Presbyterian Hunger Program

**AUGUST 1-15, 2020**

From the Desert Shores of the Pacific to the Andes Mountains and Amazon Jungle beyond, Peru is one of the most ecologically diverse places in the world, rich with natural resources, including immense mining potential and rich oil deposits. Increased exploitation of such resources, known as extractive activity, has led to major economic growth in recent decades, yet the gap between rich and poor in Peru is increasing. Among the most impoverished peoples are indigenous populations whose health and way of life are gravely impacted by contamination. Furthermore, Peru is one of the most vulnerable countries in the world to climate change. It is in this context that the Presbyterian Hunger Program, Presbyterian World Mission, and Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy join in ministry with its global partner Red Uniendo Manos Peru (Peru Joining Hands Network).

On this very special occasion, we will celebrate 20 years of this sacred partnership as we embrace our call as Presbyterians to be a Matthew 25 Church - followers of Jesus engaged in the world today, practicing an ethic of love and deepening our reverence for this one Common Home we share.

COST for full two weeks (August 1-15): **$2100 plus airfare to/from Peru** (based on double occupancy)
COST for Week 1 only (August 1-8): **$900 plus airfare to/from Peru**, $100 support--preparation expenses

*Prices are all-inclusive: Food, Lodging, Entrance Fees, and all In-Country Transportation including a carbon emissions offset.*

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Application deadline: March 15, including a deposit of $1,100 (or $500 for Week 1 only participants)
Deadline for application for financial assistance: March 1.
Deadline for balance of trip costs May 1.

80% refund for cancellations before May 1.
50% refund for cancellations between May 1-July 1.
Refunds for later cancellations will be negotiated.
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WEEK 1 (August 1-8)

August 1 (Saturday)  
• Late night arrival in Lima, Peru

August 2 (Sunday)  
• Worship in Local Church  
• Conversation with Congregation on Urban Ministry and Women´s Leadership  
• Visit Huaca Pucllana (pre-Incan ruins; 200-700 CE)

August 3 (Monday)  
• Welcome to Red Uniendo Manos Peru  
• Socio-political-environmental Context of Peru  
• Lunch with Staff and Board of Red Uniendo Manos Peru  
• Travel to Huancayo (Central Andes Mountains)

August 4 (Tuesday)  
Day Visit to La Oroya  
• Witness Pollution of one of the most contaminated places in the world  
• Visit reforestation and remediation site in Villa El Sol  
• Conversation with local youth and environmental activists

August 5 (Wednesday)  
• Conversation with local ecumenical partners on addressing climate change  
• Visit with Local Fair Trade Artisans

August 6 (Thursday)  
• Morning Return to Lima  
• Conversation with partners on the Years of Political Violence (1980-2000) and its Traces Today

August 7 (Friday)  
• Free Day in Lima  
• Celebration of 20 Years of Partnership

August 8 (Saturday)  
• Bridge of Hope Fair Trade  
• Brisas de Titicaca Lunch and Folkloric Dance Show  
• *Late Night Flight to U.S. for Week 1-only participants*

WEEK 2

August 9 (Sunday)  
• Travel Day to Moyobamba (High Jungle of the Amazon)

August 10 (Monday)  
• Visit first Public School for the Deaf  
• Conversation with partners on addressing Human Trafficking

August 11 (Tuesday)  
• Boat Tour of local nature reserve  
• Conversation with partners on Indigenous Land Rights

August 12 (Wednesday)  
• Travel Day to Cusco

August 13 (Thursday)  
• Tour of Sacred Valley

August 14 (Friday)  
• Tour of Machu Picchu

August 15 (Saturday)  
• Return to Lima/Fly to U.S.