

LIGHTSHINE! PROVIDING TRAINING, TOOLS AND SERVICE...

TO PEOPLE AND INSTITUTIONS WHO CARE FOR ORPHANS

This is the season of GOOD NEWS!! And so I'd like to share a highlight from 2017!

<u>Training Conference - Orphanage Leadership</u> (October 2017)

In March, Lightshine was presented with an opportunity to sponsor orphanage leaders from Latin America to receive training in the diagnosis & treatment of damage from child abuse.

Applicants from more than 10 countries contacted us. **Patricia & Orlenda** (from <u>Mexico</u>) were the first delegates we selected for specialized training for helping abused children heal from trauma. Next, we selected 2 delegates from <u>Honduras</u> (**Jose & Carla**) and a psychologist from <u>Chile</u> (**Manuela**). The government of <u>Peru</u> nominated 2 delegates (**Carolina & Lucy**).

Our team completed a preparation process during the summer; flying to Spain in October for intensive training from physicians & psychologists. Lightshine team members returned home - implementing & multiplying what each had learned, by teaching these skills to others.

Here are a few examples: Lucy & Carolina (**Peru**) designed & presented a conference for child protection workers and therapists in Lima. Manuela (**Chile**) taught 45 professionals working in the Children's National Service. She also gave a conference for judges and lawyers. Jose & Karla taught a seminar for orphanage workers in **Honduras**. Patricia (a lawyer) & Orlenda (a psychologist) made a presentation to DIF (Child Protection Service) in Baja, **Mexico**.

In November, Grisela & I traveled to Peru at the invitation of the government. We are excited to partner with Peru, Mexico and others to significantly improve the lives of abandoned kids.

For 2 decades Lightshine has partnered with others developing orphanages & accomplishing 'real life' projects to save and heal children. What better gift can you give at Christmas?? Please walk with us in 2018 as we take the next steps to bring God's love and hope to orphans.

The enclosed brochure and our <u>NEW website</u> describe how you can help our orphans. <u>www.mylightshine.org</u> And... Remember: <u>you can also 'donate' when shopping at Amazon*:</u>

Merry Christmas
-Paul & Grisela (for LIGHTSHINE)

(*see enclosed 'Response Form' for donation details & for "Amazon Smile")