



High Amazon / Peru Memorial Day Mission

May 29th (Saturday) – June 5th (Saturday Night) 2010

This mission is designed to bring medical/dental care to remote communities near Tarapoto, Peru.

Physicians, dentists and support personnel needed. We will be focusing on communities that are off the tourist trail. Our 'home base' will be the quiet, unimposing town of Tarapoto, known as the "City of Palms" is a thriving commercial hub in northern Peru, an hour by plane from Lima and gateway to the Amazon. From Tarapoto we will go out to other communities. Lonely Planet writes "Tarapoto is a rainforest metropolis, it dips its toe into the [Amazon Basin](#) while managing to cling to the rest of [Peru](#). From here you can take the plunge deeper into the Amazon, or just enjoy the easily accessible jungle lite, with plenty of places to stay and eat. There's a bunch of natural sights to explore nearby, from waterfalls to lagoons, and river-running opportunities will entertain the adventure-seeking contingent.



Attractions around Tarapoto include adventures to the nearby mountains and rivers for trekking, wildlife, horseback riding, and river rafting. Tarapoto is located in an ideal place to allow a traveler to visit the mountain regions of Chachapoyas and the jungle areas of the Pacaya - Samiria Reserve. Of particular interest are the towns near Tarapoto that are rich in Andes culture. We have set up this mission so that you will arrive midday in Tarapoto have a chance to see the world around the Plaza.

May 29th Saturday – Leave USA for Peru

May 30th Sunday -- Arrive in Lima / Tarapoto
Flights from the US are usually red eyes to Lima. Depending on your arrival time, you may have time to stay in a hotel overnight. However, if your flight arrives at 4 am Sunday morning (as some do), you may consider staying in the airport, which is clean and safe. You should arrive at the airport at least 2 hours



before your flight to Tarapoto. The team will fly on Lan Peru – 1 hour flight. In Tarapoto you will be met at the airport by your area coordinator and head out.

May 31st Monday -- Medical/Dental Clinic Shapaja
We will stay at Purmarini Lodge.
See: http://www.pumarinri.com/galeria_es.html

June 1st Tuesday -- Medical/Dental Clinic Chasuta
We will stay at Purmarini Lodge.
See: http://www.pumarinri.com/galeria_es.html

June 2nd Wednesday -- Medical/Dental Clinic Sauce
We will stay at El Sauce Resort/Lodge.
See: <http://www.elsauceresort.com/instalaciones.html>

June 3rd Thursday – FREE Day
We will stay at El Sauce Resort/Lodge.
See: <http://www.elsauceresort.com/instalaciones.html>
Day of fishing, canoeing and exploring the flora and fauna of this beautiful area.

June 4th Friday – Free Day to Explore
Today, you will have a choice to explore the waterfalls nearby or try river-rafting. For those that so desire there is an early evening horseback ride at the lodge.
Our ‘adios amigos’ dinner is at 7:30 ... this is where you can say goodbye to your translators.

June 5th Saturday - Return to Lima – Flights back to USA



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Donation for the Mission is \$1885

Your (**tax deductible**) donation to FDoA includes the following:

- Hotel in Tarapoto (double occupancy)
- Air Transportation to Lim/Tarapoto/Lim
- Ground Transportation
- All accommodations at lodges on rivers & lake
- Tours
- All Meal are provided (B,L,D) with exceptions
- Purchase of Medical Supplies and Medications
- Translators, Guides and Area Coordinator
- Flying Doctor T-shirts

Not included: Airfare from USA to Lima, alcoholic beverage, phone calls, room charges, arrival-departure taxes. Flying Doctors recommends that you book ahead and use your frequent flyer miles for your USA to Lima air portion.

