

# LESSONS FROM LIMA

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COMAS...A LIMA SUBURB  
MORE THAN 1 MILLION POPULATION

of the entire population of Perú. We taught at a Pentecostal church in the foothills of Comas,

Three suburbs on the northern edge of Lima – Comas and San Martin (in both of which we presented leadership training for the churches) – are home to almost 4 million people in the greater metro-region of Lima, home to one-third



as well as in San Martin; more than 50 men, women and young adults attended. Teaching included both Servant Leadership (DAI material) and Psalms & Worship (self-prepared). All classes began roughly at 7:00pm, ending roughly at 10:00pm. Traffic in Lima is – seemingly to us – dangerous; navigating the unpredictable, crowded-beyond-reason 'expressways', streets and wild traffic circles daunting; taxis, cars, standing room only buses and passenger vans of every size and shape, tractor-trailer diesels side-by-side with motorcycles squeezing between the small spaces and pedestrians darting between the vehicles to cross impossibly to the other side, all made for harrowing rides lasting two to three hours. It is impossible to describe! But God was with us!



To top it off, this was the week of the *Procession of Señor de los Milagros* in Lima, when tens (or maybe hundreds) of thousands gather in downtown Lima to celebrate what was thought to be several miracles during major earthquakes in 1655, 1687 and 1746 that destroyed Lima but left a painting by a slave from Angola, Africa intact. The festival – one of the largest Catholic festivals in the world, covers three days in October; occurring during our week of teaching and riding through the downtown streets.

# FESTIVAL DE LA PROCESIÓN DEL SEÑOR DE LOS MILAGROS



You can read more about this major Peruvian festival at [this informative website](#), from which the above two photos are borrowed.

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