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EBM MASA – Origin and Development

Missionary Activities in South America (EBM MASA) – this name dates back to the early seventies. During an evangelistic trip to Argentina and Brazil, Pastor Horst Borkowski was deeply moved by the children's misery and by the inner and outer hardship of the Amerindians. He raised understanding and a willingness to help in Germany and other European countries. As a result, children's homes have been built and supported, social projects have been founded, mission work among Amerindians has been promoted and churches have been planted.

The work has been expanding and still is. "EBM MASA" now stands for all our projects in LATIN AMERICA.

The EBM MASA concept

- No evangelism without charitable work, and no social projects without proclamation of the gospel.
- We exclusively cooperate with national (!) workers, who are willing to serve in the spirit of the Gospel.
- For our children's homes, we have introduced a special sponsoring system. This makes it possible for the children to get everything that is necessary to their development. Education is based on the Christian faith.
- EBM MASA gets involved where God is already at work. This is always done in cooperation with the national Baptist Unions and the local churches. Responsibility remains with the staff workers and churches, thus ruling out dependencies.
- The basics of our cooperation are: trust, cooperation at eye-level, transparency and reporting.

EBM MASA – Areas of work

- Children's homes, projects for children, social assistance
- Social ministry projects
- Evangelism and church-planting
- Theological training and training of staff
- Disaster relief

EBM MASA – Countries where we serve

Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Peru, Cuba, Portugal

Missionaries and Co-Workers

Our principle: We cooperate exclusively with national workers, support them financially in their ministry and facilitate their training and continuation training. This principle is an advantage because these workers do not have any cultural or language-related problems. They love their compatriots and have been called by God to serve them. Today, EBM MASA supports a total of 40 workers with primary responsibility (project managers) and about 400 additional workers in Latin America.

EBM MASA Representative Pastor Arturo Köbernick from Argentina serves in the Spanish-speaking countries. Concerning project management in Brazil, Pastor Airton Nickel, a Brazilian, is our representative and liaison person. Pastor Carlos Waldow is the EBM MASA Mission Secretary and is in charge of all the projects in Latin America. He and the EBM MASA Representatives form the Latin America Team, who coordinates all the projects.

There are regular meetings and consultations between our partners in Latin America and the Mission Office in Elstal. This ensures good structuring, networking and continuous assessment of our projects in Latin America. We will be very pleased if you would like to support the work of our representatives also by donating.



Evangelism and church planting

Latin America is a continent full of opposites: The extreme wealth of a minority is in stark contrast to the unimaginable poverty of broad sectors of the population. Despair, drug addiction and superstition deprive the people of the strength they would need to free themselves from misery.

EBM MASA encourages them and helps them to take life in their own hands again, and to commit themselves to God's loving hands.

Financial need: 188.100 €

Project 11600

We are thrilled to witness how people experience sweeping renewal by believing in Christ Jesus.

EBM MASA supports training the national workers and missionaries, whose ministries have such a wonderful impact. Many new churches are planted. And social assistance is taken to the inhabitants of the remote and forgotten places in Latin America.

„Go, then, to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples ...“, Matth. 28: 19f.

This Great Commission is being carried out through our EBM MASA projects. Will you join us to help?



Mission in the southern Andes of Peru (Quechuas)

Financial need: 28.500 €

Project: 24010

Formidable mountain ranges extend across the country, even dominate it. Cusco and Apurímac Provinces were part of the heartland of the ancient Inca Realm. Quechua, the Inca language, is still spoken today in the villages of the countless side valleys. The religious world of these people is a mixture of Inca traditions and popular Catholic influences. The Bible, God's Word, was widely unknown, and the Gospel even less. - The mission field Adrián Campero, our missionary, has to tend to is a jagged one. The roads in Apurímac and Cusco lead over mountain passes rising to 4,500 m, into valleys that are situated more than 3000 m below. There is no other way for him and his more than 30 co-workers to visit these Andean villages with their predominantly Quechua-speaking population. He plants churches here, and he sows hope springing from the Bible, which has already helped many families. He also brings comfort when natural disasters have destroyed the crops, and also facilitates assistance. So, over a couple of years, a network of small congregations has been founded, which turn to the Bible for guidance in their every-day lives. By now, there are more than 30 mission stations, which have resulted in 15 congregations with small chapels over the past years. Adrián Campero's work has now also won the respect and confidence of people from outside the churches.

We would like to continue to support these missionaries and mission projects, and we also want to provide practical help to the destitute families in their needs.



Mission Work in Curahuasi

Financial need: 40.000 €

Project: 24020

One of our principles: No evangelism without charitable work, and no social projects without proclamation of the gospel. This principle is going to be put into practice in a very special way: A "Samaritan's House" is to be built, which will afford accommodation to the relatives of patients who are being treated in the nearby hospital. As these relatives are very poor they would otherwise have no possibility to stay near their family members. Further plans include building a church so that the young and fast growing congregation may have a place to assemble. Our missionary here is Pastor Tomas Chaparro, who is very committed and dynamic.



Mission Work in Ianaoca and Region

Financial need: 13.500 €

Project: 24022

The town of Ianaoca and the numerous Quechua villages of this region are insignificant and are paid little attention. The people here live in great poverty, for the most part on what the barren soil produces. Their main source of income lies in their sheep, llamas, and alpacas. To this place, too, the gospel is taken in word and deed. Often, EBM MASA has assisted the families in a practical way by providing vaccines for their animals, and seeds. After the flood disasters and the earthquakes, the Quechua people received quick assistance from EBM MASA. This has given credibility to mission work. Many people open their hearts to the gospel, quite a few of them are converted and baptized – what immense joy this is!

The new congregation in Ianaoca is to receive a small church building, which is also intended to become a mission centre for the region south of Cusco, offering the opportunity to train co-workers. Mission stations have already been set up in four villages. Our Missionary, Modesto Puñal, is thankful for all the help he has received.



Mission Work in Otuzco

Financial need: 4.000 €

Project: 24030

The mountainous region east of the coastal city of Trujillo has countless small villages and towns. Most of them can only be reached after troublesome bus rides. All of them are situated in 'La Libertad' Province. For quite some time, the churches in Trujillo have been concentrating their thoughts on this mission field, and they have been looking for ways of reaching the people in this region. Several efforts have been made, with varying success.

EBM MASA now supports mission work in Otuzco. The 'Virgin of the Door' (La Virgen de la Puerta) is really at the heart of this Andean town with its 5,000 inhabitants. She is behind a glass window above the pilgrimage church of Otuzco. Once a year, there are festivities in her honour, and thousands of people come to celebrate. The Virgin dominates the religious thinking of most of the Otuzco people. It is here that missionary Carlos García started his mission work. This is hard ground to sow, but we would still like to support him. Despite all the opposition, Carlos García is ministering with great joy. To date, about 30 people attend the activities at the mission station.



Mission Work in Jimbe and Region

Financial need: 5.000 €

Project: 24050

In northern Peru, in „Cáceres del Peru“ Province, EBM MASA has launched another missionary project together with the churches there and the Baptist Union of Peru. Hugo Mondoñedo is in charge of this project. He already cares for six mission stations. Jimbe is the central location for all the missionary activities in this region. Evangelism and social commitment are sought-after – in EBM MASA projects, they are always intertwined.



Most of the people here – descendants of the Incas – are very poor. Idolatry, hidden in religious practices, has bound and enslaved them. As a result of forced Christianization, there was a blend of Catholicism and the ancient religions. Gods and spirits were given new names and venerated as saints. Alcoholism is also a severe problem which causes great suffering. The Gospel is apt to free them – many people have experienced it already. We ask for your prayers and donations and are very thankful for any support!

Theological Education and training of co-workers and missionaries in Latin America

Financial need: 68.800 €

Project: 11930

In order to exist in the long run, churches must live their faith and every-day life in their own responsibility after a certain point in time. EBM MASA supports bible-based training and continuation training

for the numerous staff in our social ministry projects and in the churches:

- in Argentina: CEFOLÍ / Bible School in Oberá,
- in Brazil: Seminary in Ijuí and sponsorships for the Bible School,
- in Peru: Adrián Campero / Quechua workers,
- in Cuba: Isle of Youth and Las Tunas.

