

# GMEF NEWS

## BOLIVIA | PERU

### 2015 Programs

#### Midwife Training Programs:

Completed in Pucallpas, Peru (see photo) and San Antonio de Esmoruco Bolivia, 20 midwives trained and supplied

#### Community Health Worker Training:

Training for 30 women working in impoverished communities around Pucallpas, Peru. The CHWs will visit all pregnant women to ensure they get care for pregnancy and delivery.

#### Physician Training for Contraceptive Implants:

We are offering free long-term family planning to 500 women.

#### Physician Training in Basic Ultrasound:

25 physicians working in remote areas will be trained to help identify women with pregnancy problems before labor. Portable ultrasound units are being donated later this year.



*Trained and supplied Midwives in Peru*

## SUMMER GREETINGS!

*With your support, GMEF has already had a wonderfully productive year. In April and May, we traveled to Peru and Bolivia to initiate new programs and follow up on the work in progress. Our Bolivian administrator has been successfully keeping up with the ongoing programs and checking in on communities with completed projects to make certain of their continued success. We have several new projects and are especially hopeful to fund birth centers in two remote areas to ensure that mothers and newborns have safer experiences during and after childbirth. We greatly appreciate your compassionate support that keeps these projects going!*

Best Wishes,

Genevieve Reid MD (director), Jolene Romney (development director) and the GMEF Board: Betsy Baur, Sarbrina Lee, Dana Mahoney and Julie Collins.



## 2015 Programs

### Birth Centers (Sala de Partos):

Construction of 2 delivery suites in clinics serving remote areas in Bolivia, so that women can be close to emergency equipment and supplies at the time of birth.

**Bathrooms:** We are on track to complete 130 more bathrooms this year (see Juan Carlos above).

### Clean Water:

This month we are completing a water project in Molino serving 200 people. We are also currently assessing the next project - to serve the larger town of Oploca Bolivia.

We have many pictures and more detailed information on all of these projects on our website!

We would love to keep you posted with more frequent updates and photos via email.

Please visit our updated website and blog or donate at:

**[www.midwifeeducation.org](http://www.midwifeeducation.org)**

Or send us your email address to [reid.genevieve@gmail.com](mailto:reid.genevieve@gmail.com)

## *GMEF works to reduce Maternal and Infant Mortality*

Since 2010, we have :

- Trained and supplied over 200 midwives in remote areas
- Trained and supplied 50 doctors & nurses in newborn resuscitation
- Trained and supplied 40 Community Health Workers
- Provided long term family planning to over 300 women
- Built 750 bathrooms
- Completed clean water projects in 5 villages
- Improved the health and well-being of countless mothers and children living in impoverished, remote areas of Bolivia and Peru

We rely on your generous support to continue this work that improves the lives of others.

Thank you!

*Babies in a town with a new water project in Pe*

