



SITUATION REPORT

EARTHQUAKE IN PERU



JULY 24, 2019



PERU

SITUATION

On May 26, 2019, an 8.0 magnitude earthquake struck northern Peru. One casualty and 11 injuries were reported. The quake was felt in Peru, Venezuela, and Ecuador.

The Peruvian government reported extensive damage to homes, schools, health centers and other public buildings, particularly in the northern Amazonas region. Three towns with Lutheran congregations – Piura, San Antonio, and Iquitos—were affected.



RESPONSE

Within days of the disaster, Ecumenical Services of Pastoral and Studies of the Communication (SEPEC) – our local faith-based partner – reached out to rural Lutheran churches and conducted community needs assessments to determine the damages brought on by the earthquake.

Through the support of Lutheran Disaster Response, SEPEC is accompanying affected communities by rebuilding homes and installing new and repairing old community water wells.



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