

# SENDING OUT & EQUIPPING VOLUNTEERS

CAI trains skilled volunteers to work with faith-based organisations in the developing world. The team that Susie took out to Arequipa in April usually help at the Horsforth craft sessions. It was a valuable learning experience for the volunteers, who were deeply impacted by the trip and by the people with disabilities who they met whilst they were there.

👍👍 **WHEN I CAME BACK, THINGS THAT MATTERED BEFORE I WENT DIDN'T MATTER ANY MORE. I REALISE WHAT'S IMPORTANT NOW.** 🗨️🗨️

## C.A.I VOLUNTEER

This year, we appointed Ellie Thompson, a talented design graduate from Falmouth School of Art, to work at the Peru Project from March 2016 for 9-10 months. She will be sent out through the Church Mission Society. Whilst there, she will design product prototypes, train the employees in new craft skills, and work with the local church to establish a full-scale social enterprise for people with disabilities.



In September, we interviewed a couple called Fiona and Chris Courtman who are keen to work at the Peru project from September 2016 for two years, with a view to extending for longer. Fiona is a textiles teacher and Chris a project manager. They will split the role approximately 70/30 and will be sent through Latin Link.



Our aim is that these volunteers will be able to train up local project leaders, who can continue the social enterprise after they have moved on.