

A new year brings new challenges. **Wilson, Andrew and Ben flew to the unreached people's groups once again to do another "gift drop"**. It is not possible to land in these villages. They are very remote and can only be reached by landing



on the main river going the rest of the way by canoe.



On the last flight, the people ran away from the plane, but this time the guys were so encouraged to observe the villagers welcome the plane and wait to see what special items might "fall from the sky". The gifts (machetes, Messengers (talking Bibles in a language we believe is close to theirs), and five others helpful items were once again dropped using little homemade parachutes. Andrew is in the USA checking out

his leg and seeing if he needs surgery. His ankle and foot are currently very swollen, but sometime this year he would love to have Wilson fly him in so he can personally visit these tribes. Please pray for God to prepare our team and the hearts of these people groups who have never heard the Gospel or had contact with outsiders.

**At the end of last year, we received several boxes (20 some) of incomplete Sunday School material for all ages**, from a Christian book store in Manaus. This month, I was finally able to organize everything and print up Bible lesson plans and activity pages (the ones I have been working on) for around 60 sets of visuals for children's classes. There are more than 90 that I have been able to complete so far.



**I'm so thrilled that all those months of writing and preparing children's Bible lesson plans in Portuguese is finally starting to pay off.** 😊 The lessons I have written are very easy to follow and include ideas, activities, etc. using resources that are readily available here. We have already begun distributing some of this material to churches in more isolated river villages. I still have more lessons plans to write and more kits to prepare, but we praise the Lord, churches and teachers are receiving material to help them evangelize and disciple people in their villages! I'm trusting the Lord to open the doors to give another Teacher Training course sometime in May/June.



**Jessica taught health classes for one week at the Bible Seminary in Sabonete** (A 30-50 minute boat trip). She taught the basics on personal health and hygiene, care and precautions of animals, sexually transmitted diseases, health care during pregnancy, dental health, etc. God allowed her to incorporate scripture throughout her lessons and emphasize health care from God's perspective. They braved sun and a few sprinkles to and from the village every day. Ben was a tremendous help to her throughout the week.

**Ben, Jéssica, Lucas, Chloe and Bible teachers from São Paulo.**

This month, **the smaller mission boat received a general overhaul to the hull and a few other minor repairs.** They also caulked the boat, which is something that needs to be done every four years. We also spent time separating and organizing the equipment for both boats to get ready for Marty and his mission team that will be arriving



February 2<sup>nd</sup> to minister together with us for a week. We will visit two river villages and the last couple of days the team (4 men) will teach our staff, workers and a few others how to solder. We have the generator and equipment, but are excited to receive specific training so we can make church trusses out of metal and make minor repairs to aluminum boats belonging to pastors in the interior.

**Now we are ready and waiting to pick up the mission team from Illinois February 2<sup>nd</sup>!** Please pray with us that God will use all of us to encourage village pastors, evangelize those who don't know Christ and be a shining light in the midst of all the darkness that surrounds us. We pray God will continue to use YOU to make a difference here in the Amazon and also right where you are! We never tire of praising and thanking God for your partnership in the ministries here and the blessing you have been and are in our lives every day!

God's richest blessings to you,  
*Wilson and Lori*

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