

“...Pray for us that the message the message of the Lord may spread rapidly and be honored...and pray that we may be delivered from wicked and evil people, for not everyone has faith. But the Lord is faithful...” 2 Thessalonians 3:1-3

God continues to strengthen us and protect us through your faithful, fervent prayers! We praise God for YOU!! We praise Him for answered prayer; for continuing to give us the strength to reach isolated river communities for Christ. We praise Him for giving us His protection as we travel throughout the Amazon by boat and by plane, and for protecting us from those who don't have faith in Christ and desire to harm us. God is FAITHFUL!

Wilson is now the proud owner of a Peruvian visa! He made a trip to Cavalo Cocha to check on Pr. Edgardo and Corina and set goals for the near future. We are all excited for the possibility of them planting a new church in that city and coordinating church planting efforts together with us in that area. Pr. Edgardo would be responsible to visit churches in surrounding river villages and help us set up seminary training for pastors in that area. Wilson then headed to Lima to get his visa. It was a fruitful trip.

I have been working on personal ministry projects this past month. I finished cutting out my flannel graph kit with the help of a close friend. It made for such sweet fellowship. I gave my original kit to Pr. Edison and Mariela from Buen Sucesso, Peru recently. I finished making lesson plans, printing lessons and handwork pages for putting 10 more Sunday School kits (right) that will be given to churches in more remote river villages and allow the teachers to minister to the kids for around 2 years. I am keeping one set of each kit or packet of material (series of lessons) for the resource library I am setting up.



I also have the resource library organized finally and made the list of materials that are available to hand out to churches in the area. I was able to laminate 3 more packets of visuals from different sets and only have a handful to go. Soon I hope to begin loaning out material to help teachers evangelize and disciple children, adolescents and youth (my focus) YEAH!



(above) and have put together handwork pages, lesson plans and added review questions, activities, etc.

A good friend of mine, Lesli, from south Brazil retired from children's ministry so she could better care for her aging mother. She gave me a wealth of material including several years of Child Evangelism Fellowship magazines that contain articles, object lessons and visualized lessons that come with complete lesson plans. I ripped them all apart, categorized everything and am in the process of laminating the visuals as well as making new visuals for the lessons that don't have any. There was a series of lessons on what God compares His Word to; light, a sword, a seed, etc. I made visuals for this series

☺ Pray with us that God will pave the way, open doors and hearts to teach with excellence and take teaching God's Word seriously. My biggest concern is seeing to it that the materials from the resource library returned once they are done borrowing it. In Brazil, you can't check out any material from libraries since people don't return it. You either read it there or make a copy of it to take home! That's one reason I did a trial run the 1st 4 years here trading Sunday School curriculum between churches. We had a few glitches, but most everything went smoothly and it did work. I am praying fervently for the same results with the resource library. Most churches here do not have the funds to order material and they also need orientation on how to use it, which is something I provide when they come to pick it up. It will be such a blessing to pass teaching resources from church to church and children's Bible clubs, etc! **Here are a couple of testimonies of God at work through teacher training and resources from two teachers who work with a large group of children at their church and also minister to children in two river villages:**

Well, from the moment I did the teacher training course, I have had a wonderful experience with children in our Sunday School class. God has given me many happy moments working with them and I have also learned a lot from them (Monica)

The teacher resources we received have been very useful to us and has edified our work with the children in our Bible classes and clubs. I am so thankful to the Lord first and foremost and to the missionary, Lori, for her dedication in this work. (Rosângela)



It was an honor to welcome Jefferson, the executive secretary of our mission, and his wife Lenir, to our home recently. We had fun giving them a tour of our little town, the mission base in Benjamin Constant and the surrounding areas. They got to see first hand several of our current ministries.



We had the privilege of taking Jefferson and Lenir with us to São João (The river village where we hold a church service every 15 days). This time we travelled by speed boat, so it took only 1 hr. to get there instead of 4.



What a wonderful time we had celebrating all the moms for Mother's Day. Wilson shared a message highlighting the lives of 4 moms; Ana, Jocabed (Moses' mom), Mary and his own mom. During the message, there was one young man that was nodding his head in agreement the entire time and was very attentive. At the end of the service, he gave his life to Christ. It was so precious to see him touched by the Holy Spirit and ready to begin a new life with Christ. Our time of fellowship ended with cake and soda. Tacila made a little gift for each of the mothers.

This past month, we dedicated Pr. Maurilio and Tacila, our ministry partners, to pastor the church in Islândia. The pastor we had installed is more of an evangelist and it just wasn't working out. We all went to give them our support and celebrate Mother's Day with them as well!





Thank you for praying so faithfully and fervently for us and for the mission ministries of this region! God is faithful. He hears your prayers and answers them according to His plans and purposes. You are in our hearts and prayers continually. If you have any specific prayer requests, please share them with us so we will know how to pray for you!

*God's richest blessings,
Wilson and Lori*

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