



Reaching, Assisting and Transforming Lives Through Aviation and Social Development

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised! We praise God for His mercy, His grace and His many blessings. Our salvation in Christ is one of God's greatest blessings along with all of you, brothers and sisters in Christ...our family. We praise God for you! Wilson and I want to thank you for your prayers for us, for our safety and for the ministries of Asas de Socorro here in the Amazon. God has blessed us abundantly through you by giving us peace of mind after the robberies, joy in serving Jesus and providing our needs through monthly support and love gifts. Loving God and people is why we are here and we seek God's strength and wisdom each day to do just that.



This year we watched history in the making as the flood waters during rainy season surpassed the highest level ever recorded in the last 100 yrs. (The river crested about 10 meters above the normal level.) River towns and villages were completely flooded causing many people to leave their homes, bringing hunger, sickness and increasing danger. Homes were invaded by poisonous snakes, alligators and other poisonous animals and bugs. The waters are receding now and life is beginning to normalize, but the need for clean drinking water is greater than ever. What a blessing to be able to deliver water filters to meet this need and at the same time provide "living water" to refresh the soul and bring new life!



In August we held our first training seminar for Water of Life in partnership with other Christian organizations, missions and churches. Asas de Socorro is responsible for training, for preparing all the materials used in the filters to guarantee quality and also for making sure that every filter is properly registered by each organization for the purpose of maintenance and further evangelization. There were five organizations participating (including Youth With a Mission, Project Manajé, Ray of Hope, and the Baptist

Church), twenty-eight people in all. The first day the group learned about the history, theory and purpose of the water filter project and saw an actual demonstration of a water filter being assembled. The second day they had an all day boat trip to a river village to put what they learned into practice. They divided up into teams and each team was responsible for installing a filter, giving a full explanation of why the people need to use it, how it works and how to maintain it and then sharing the Gospel message of Jesus,



the fountain of living water with the families. We had an awesome time. Everyone was so excited. They can hardly wait to plan trips of their own in order to use this tool in spreading the Gospel throughout the Amazon!



The caravan plane just had an inspection and general maintenance at our mission shop for 10 days and is already in the air flying for clinic trips, missionaries and churches once again. We renewed our contract with a local air taxi to continue flying commercially since this arrangement is meeting the needs that were established, namely to provide legal receipts for all flights, help subsidize missionary and clinic flights and provide some funds for maintenance and projects. We praise God that through our partnership with the air taxi, one employee has heard the Gospel and given his life to Christ. Please pray that God would continue to help us build relationships with the people in this company and be testimonies among them.

September is here. Our "kids" have all started another year of college. For Joshua, this will be his last semester and then he will face major decisions about the future. His focus is still engineering and one special young lady (Leighann). Julie and Jessica are still in the nursing program. The Lord provided Julie with a lovely apartment inside the hospital complex so she walks to school and work. She has a wonderful roommate who is also a student and they share the rent. Thank you for praying for them and for upholding us all in your hearts and prayers! We love you and trust God to meet your needs and continue directing your lives.

God Bless!

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Manaus Morsels

So what is life like in Brazil, specifically in Manaus? How do we get from one place to another?

Our main means of transportation are walking, taking the bus and going by car. Wilson is often off and running in the car while in town, and I walk or take the bus everywhere. As Manaus prepares to host part of the World Cup in 2014, the city continues to expand. High-rise apartments are going up everywhere, and the influx of cars is astronomical. There is an average of 3000 cars coming into Manaus and being purchased every month! The city has many streams, not enough bridges and roads with no outlets. The government is constructing overpasses, underpasses, bridges and more roads and lanes to try and meet the demands. Rush hour traffic is all day long and into some of the night (until 11:00). This is one of the trials we face every day as the roads are bumpy and poorly paved, drivers are extremely impatient and reckless (lanes markers are all but invisible as drivers weave in and out of traffic) and few obey traffic laws. (Why stop at a stop sign or stop light if there is no car in sight?) Tempers flare and everyone needs to get somewhere right NOW.

Progress is being made and we hope this will make a difference in the near future (next year some time). Mission staff goes to work at 7:00 so they can drop their kids off at school, get to work by 8:00 and head home by 4:30, missing most of the bad traffic. It is safer and also gives all of us the opportunity to have more time with family. Working earlier in the day is also more productive because of the heat. (We have had around 100 degree weather for the last 30 days after the rains stopped.) Almost all cars in Manaus have air conditioners and we praise God for that and the fact that we have a car and good bus system! So, anyone want a ride? Or...maybe you'd rather walk! It always amazes us that when you are just a few minutes outside of Manaus, the main means of transportation are boats and canoes along immense river ways, time stops, watches are disregarded and you get there when you get there!! We are always so thankful for the airplane that allows us to reach isolated areas in a few minutes rather than taking hours, days and even weeks to meet physical and spiritual needs!

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