



Asas de Socorro

Wings of Help Ministries - Amazon, Brazil



July was a very busy month for us. We praise God for all that was accomplished and the seeds that were planted for His Kingdom. After unpacking from our short furlough to the USA, we received a mission team of five from NewLife Church, IL and two teens from AK (8th-14th).

It took us ten hours to reach a village called Vasco da Gama (name of a soccer team ☺). It is a difficult village where many are not receptive to the Gospel. What a joy to help support the new pastor who is working on opening one of his churches in a nearby village that was closed and trusting God to cause the church in Vasco to grow and bear fruit.



God allowed us to visit most of the homes to take family pictures which were printed up and handed out at the end of our stay. Some asked for prayer and one older couple where the wife had serious health problems trusted in Christ as their Savior. What a blessing to work together with the team and the pastor and his wife to paint the church, do children's ministries and install water filters! While installing the ten water filters, Daniel, a member of our staff was able to share the story of the woman at the well explaining how God extended His loving hand to save her and making her aware of her past sins without judging her. God touched the heart of a woman in one house who repeatedly said she never heard God shared in this way. She was so amazed that we were not there to judge her but to show God's love and plan of salvation for her life.

It was very interesting that no matter who ministered or where we all felt led to share the Gospel pure and simple and God moved in a mighty way. Five people gave their lives to Christ and two were healed from some health problems they had. There were 106 children during the Bible times and games and God answered my specific prayer that there would be no commotion during this time and that the children would have open ears and hearts and listen



attentively to the lessons. One girl gave me a huge hug and told us she really liked the stories we told.

The enemy did all he could to discourage us. There were tons of mosquitoes and boy did they have mega-stingers (praise God for the mosquito nets we use while sleeping). Wilson and a member of the team lost their balance and fell out of the little canoe near shore, another member fell back into the canoe and also slid down the stairs on the boat hurting her elbow, hip and foot and half the pictures we took mysteriously disappeared while handing them out that last day. No one was seriously injured and we all were tremendously blessed to see God working and moving among our team and the people of the village.

During that same week Gloria and Patrick from Ray of Hope ministries (whom we partner with occasionally) took a team from England to another river village. During their trip a young man who couldn't swim jumped into the river of his own accord and drowned. Some things we will never understand. His parents shared that God fulfilled his lifelong dream of ministering in the Amazon and know their son is in God's hands. **We want to thank all of you who received our urgent prayer request via e-mail for upholding them in prayer! The team has finally returned to England along with the body and we continue to pray as God brings closure, comforts hearts and deals with emotions and wounded spirits as a result of this tragedy.**



The mission team of sixteen from Richwoods Church, IL arrived 24 hours after the other team left. We travelled ten hours in a different direction to minister in another village and help construct a church for Paster Euridison and Jane. We built a church for this same couple in Costa do Ubim in April with another team. It was awesome to see them again and know that God is using them to train pastors and church

leaders and plant churches along their river area. More water filters were installed, Bibles were handed out, many people asked for prayer and God's hand of healing was ever present. On this trip we also partnered with the Central Church from Manaus pastored by Grace and Aurino who had a team of forty-two people from their church come on the last day to participate in the ministries (handing out used clothes and basic food baskets, cutting hair, working on the construction and dedicating the new church). See for yourself how God worked through your prayers during these trip: <http://www.wilsonandlori.com/pictures3m.htm>.



After our return, my sciatic nerve went crazy and I spent a few days of total bed rest. It was good to allow my body time to heal and for both Wilson and I to get some much needed rest. The day after the team left we housed a missionary coworker, and Wilson helped him work on the documentation

necessary to sell one of his mission planes. We may be working closely with Alan and his wife Kim if God leads us to move to the West and begin a new work there. Right now, Wilson is doing all he can to get the OA mission barge running and ready for ministry. In August he will have key meetings with mission leaders and pastors about the project for the West and the need for opening up a new flight base there.

Thank you for praying for our safety, for strength, for wisdom and direction! What a blessing to know we can count on those prayers and trust God together to reach the Amazon for Christ!!

*Love and hugs,
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