Everyday life in the Amazon is filled with surprises! A little frog the size of a candy wrapper greeted me



one day as I walked out the bedroom door... barefoot of course. Lately we have been running into frogs of all shapes and sizes. Beetles built like a tank and the size of a tangerine plop into our kitchen sink from time to time. A local cat had her kittens in our pantry out back and another cat ransacked our kitchen garbage, fruit bin and pantry day after day until our nephew Jader threw his flip-flop to scare him off. He ended up racing out the front gate only to be put out of business permanently by a passing car. Yes, there are a lot of little critters 'round here and my most constant and faithful companions are the lizards... little living vacuum cleaners. They diligently clean out all the little bugs

throughout the house. I'm convinced that they leave more droppings behind than the bugs they eat. Inoffensive as they are, they often "surprise" me by popping up unannounced wherever I go. I was dusting the other day and came across a lizard on the couch. Caught off guard I quickly swatted it onto the floor. I think he was just as surprised as I was, because his tail flew off. I was just standing there mortified to see that tail twitching and wriggling all over while the lizard, who fled to the far wall, just sat there glaring at me. EEEeeeeeeew!



January... the continuation of ongoing ministries and the start of new beginnings! We thoroughly enjoyed once again sponsoring a special activity for the youth from our congregation and praise God for the new leaders who are now in charge. I will continue to coordinate the children's Sunday school in all six churches this year and work alongside the new leaders who will be organizing special bimonthly children's programs, called Children's Network, where all the congregations will participate.



## Tacila, Sarah and I with kids from our church.



Working with the youth has been awesome. We will continue to give the new leaders our full support.

We organized and attended meetings this month to coordinate children's ministries and other ministries here in town.

Starting the New Year with a pastor's breakfast emphasizing unity amongst the evangelical churches in Benjamin Constant.





Visiting the Indian Seminary in Sabonete with our new pastor coordinator, his wife and son (To the left of Lori). Later that week, Wilson helped to send 3000 bricks so they can begin building the cafeteria and kitchen (land located behind us). Right now they are using a makeshift shanty for a kitchen.

(Below) Our maiden voyage on the Água Viva "Living Water" mission boat with twenty pastors and church leaders and their wives. Over the weekend, we visited three villages, installed one new pastor and encouraged two more. Everyone was thrilled to welcome us and receive this special visit!





Giving a farewell to the prior pastor in the village of Guanabara I... welcoming the new pastor.





Pastors dedicated to preaching God's Word in the jungles of the Amazon. Village - Bom Pastor

Marty and Pam O'neall will arrive thirteenth of February with a team of seven total. Wilson is finalizing little details on the boat and I am doing inventory to make sure we have what we need for this trip as far as

kitchen utensils, cleaning supplies, food, etc. We will travel to Japon, Peru and help build a church and minister in the village. Please "travel" with us and join us through your prayers! *Our special thanks for all your support!!* 

## Wilson and Lori

Celebrating 31 years of marriage and 35 years serving the Lord on the mission field!



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