

Welcome to our World!

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Pat, Randy, Ben, Heather, Kevin, Mary, Ken, Heath

After a delicious lunch in Colombia, a visit to stamp passports at the Federal Police in Tabatinga and a 30-minute speedboat trip to Benjamin Constant, the team settled into Cabanas, our local “resort” ☺.



Enjoying a leisurely breakfast at Cabanas that first morning!

During our time in town, we were blessed with good weather and plenty of time for shopping, loading the boat and a visit to the hangar and our home to allow the team to contact family and friends.



Pr. Edgardo’s team of eight from Islândia, Peru left for the village two days earlier to clear the land, install the main beams of the church and begin the trusses. This church measures 8 by 16 meters providing enough space for a home for Pr. Henrique, his wife and six children in the back! They still plan to extend a kitchen off to one side.

We spent ten hours travelling up river on the **ÁGUA VIVA/LIVING WATER** mission boat on a beautiful sunny day with blue skies and wispy clouds arriving in **Santa Teresa, Peru** a little after dark.

SANTA TERESA



with the children and women. This village has no “Social Center”, so we ended up asking permission to use their local “bars”.

The next morning, we visited the church site and toured the village looking for an ideal place to work



Making a trip to the church by boat.



Ken and Randy hard at work!

with cotton balls on their heads to represent the shepherd's flock and every time the word "sheep" was mentioned, the kids all said "Baaaaa"!

While a crew of men worked on the church throughout our stay, we ministered to the children. The first morning we taught dental hygiene and gave fluoride treatments. Pat and Randy prepared amazing Bible stories that were super creative and FUN! During the story of the Lost Sheep, several kids wore hair bands covered



A special time of intercession with Kevin, Heath and Heather



Way to go Heath!

The second day ministering to the children, we reenacted the story of Noah. Several children wearing animal masks entered the ark in pairs while imitating the sounds those animals make.



Ben leading the animals to the Ark!

When the storm came, the adults sprayed the kids with water and the kids shook the edges of the large blue tarp they sat on to

imitate the sound of pouring rain. Other children held up Styrofoam clouds with lightning bolts, banged on tin pie pans to resemble thunder, and a held up a huge sun at the end along with colored netting for the rainbow. Afterwards, each child received small gift bags with candies, trinkets, hot wheel cars and hair ribbons and everyone received a handful of animal crackers! What a tremendous time learning the truths of God together! After the Bible times, the team had fun playing with the kids outside. How thankful we were for mostly cloudy skies and very little rain!



Pat enjoyed playing with the kids.

On Sunday afternoon, we had a wonderful time with the ladies sharing the Bible story of the Pearl of Great Price and making bracelets, as well as fitting the elderly with reading glasses. They were very skeptical at first, but when they found out the glasses were a gift, they came from all sides and expressed their deepest thanks. Mary gathered all the women together and shared the Gospel before handing out the beautiful bags she made (50) with scissors, sewing notions, headbands, toothbrushes and combs.



Our time in **Santa Teresa** ended with a wonderful church service praising God in song and dedicating the church and Pr. Henrique to the Lord.



The team presented Pr. Henrique with a beautiful Study Bible in Spanish and a new Bible for his wife. We dramatized yet another incredible Bible story “Jesus Calms the Storm” with the help of all the children and adults, distributed electronic Bibles called the “Messenger” to each family and handed out beanie babies to all the kids.



Pr. Henrique as “Jesus” and his disciples in the boat!

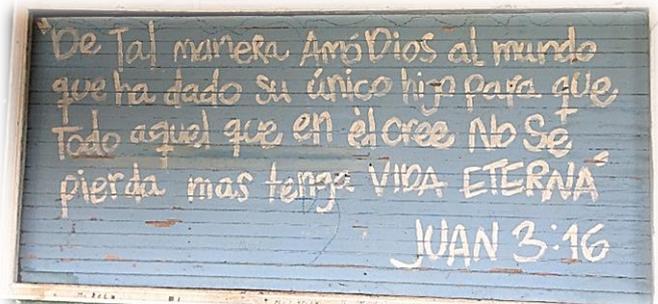
We experienced so many blessings during this trip. Was it hard to reach out to these people? In some ways YES. There was NO church in this village and several of the villagers come from a cult called “Israelites”, living by the law like in Jesus’ day. We praise God for the many doors He opened while we were there, for their participation in all our activities and for their love, friendliness and thankful spirits.

We still battled the scars and scratches of those little black bugs called PIUM, although it wasn’t as bad as our previous trip. Some of us had sleepless nights (try sleeping with NO earplugs next to someone who snores!) ☺ One of our generators, which was tied down on the roof of our boat, was cut loose as the roofing of the church rubbed against it from the vibration of the engine. It fell into the depths of the river (never to be found). Some days were downright hot (especially for those coming from a rigorous winter), other days it rained and some got soaked or stepped right into a huge mud puddle with sandals and socks in tow (right Mary?!) There were 27 of us in all and even though the Peruvian team slept on Pr. Edgardo’s boat and stayed at the construction site over lunch, we still had quite a group gathered together each morning and evening.

So why do we GO? Because God commands us to. If we don’t go, we lose out on the blessings of being faithful and obedient servants AND we miss out on the awesome privilege of reaching the lost for Christ!



Our special thanks to Pr. John King and Riverside church for their partnership in the ministries in the Amazon and to the team for being willing to give of their time and resources to help us plant churches and spread God’s Word in Peru. **YOUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT** are every bit as crucial to the ministries here! We praise God every day that He chose **YOU** to help enable us to reach the Amazon for Christ!!



God’s richest blessings, Wilson and Lori

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