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NEWSLETTER OF THE COSTA FAMILY

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Dear American family, with great joy we want to share with you what the Lord has been doing in Brazil this year so far! Thanks so very much for being with us "holding the ropes"!

MISSION TRIP TO THE AMAZON

We praise the Lord for the tremendous mission trip we had to the Amazon, and I, Bruno, also had the privilege to have Camila and Mariana with me on this trip! It was a big team composed by 12 Americans (sent by Fellowship Bible Church - Atlanta, GA), 14 Brazilians + the boat team (people who work full time in the boat). We traveled through the Amazon River working in villages located at the riversides. We worked in 4 different villages. We had in this team doctors, dentists, nurses, and other health professionals who did a great job giving assistance to the locals. While they were doing that, the evangelistic group of this team did a lot of outreaches, helping local churches. The outreaches were through school meetings, open air children's meetings, and open air movie meetings at night. Our team also had pastors, who worked giving counseling to the people waiting for medical/dental assistance. God built a strong fellowship in this team. We thank Him for each one that He called to be part of this group! We were one working for the Lord! Great things happened!

OUR BOAT, HOSPITAL, HOTEL, AND RESTAURANT!



OUR TEAM



It was raining one night when we were preparing for a movie meeting (for this kind of meeting we set up a big screen to show evangelistic movies). Anyway, we didn't give up, trusting God for the rain to stop. It didn't, but the Lord knows why - and after the meeting we could see that He was doing something great! Therefore, we did this movie meeting inside a church close by. Probably because of the rain, we didn't have many people coming in the beginning. However, little by little, some came! After preaching, in the invitation, a young guy gave his life to Jesus. We could see other people crying, very touched. God worked powerfully this night! Furthermore, after meeting, when we were already in the boat, the Branch Director (the pastor who is responsible for the big area that we visited during the trip) said to us that the young

guy who gave his life to Jesus in this meeting was a very influential drug dealer in the big city of Manaus (capital of the State of Amazonas), and that he was in the village because he wanted to leave this life. He took a firm stand before God that night. He was so moved that came to the boat and asked for some Bibles for him and for others. He was rejoicing because of what the Lord did in him that night! As we can see, it does not matter the weather, or the size of the meeting, the Lord is always working!

MOVIE MEETING



DENTISTS WORKING



HIGH SCHOOL MEETING



MEDICAL TEAM WORKING IN OPEN AIR



Moreover, in the last night, where we had another wonderful outreach with many decisions for Christ, a man who participated in our program talked to the Branch Director saying that his life was destroyed because of drugs. He tried many things, but nothing worked out. However, God touched him that night, and he asked for the pastor to help him because he really wanted a new life. And, in this place, is exactly where the pastor was planning to plant a church. When he selected this village for us to go to, he was already envisioning a church there. So, praise the Lord, God used all team to open the doors for a church planting project in this place. The pastor was rejoicing to see the fields ripe for harvest! He said to us that he was going to go back there the next week after our departure to meet this guy and to continue the process to plant the church.

Brothers and sisters in Christ, in our mission trips we always focus on reaching people with the Good News, helping locals, and promoting mission engagement for who are going with us and for who are hosting us. God

MARIANA TRANSLATING A MESSAGE



worked powerfully on this trip because many were reached, and many in the team shared how this trip edified his/her Christian life. One of the participants said that God used this trip to confirm his call to work in full time ministry! The local team was also very impacted. They are really excited for us to go back there next year.

And, as I said before many times, we are doing today what we learned from the American teams over the years. Therefore, thank you very much, dear American family! Thanks so very much for coming and blessing us again tremendously through many ways! Thank you, dear Fellowship Bible Church, to send us this amazing team!

SCHOOL MINISTRY

We are rejoicing with the meetings that God has been giving us in our schools. We thank the Lord for so many students that have been hearing the Gospel. After meetings, some students come and share how it was important to them being in our program. We can see how impacted they become while listening the Good News of Salvation! May He continue to use us in this tremendous harvest field!



TRIP TO RECIFE

On April the 28th I leave for Recife, a big capital in the Northeast of Brazil. Tiago, who is on our staff in this

PRAISE

- * For your faithful prayers and support;
- * For the team to the Amazon;
- * For the school ministry;
- * For the women that have been reached through BDM.

region, his family, and I are going to this city in order to plan their move to that place, which would tremendously increase their ministry. Please, pray for the Lord to lead in this big step in their lives.

BIG DREAM MINISTRIES

In March, Camila has been to the Northeast of Brazil, in the big city of Salvador, for an event of training and promotion of BDM. The training was in a church, from Thursday to Saturday. They had there 40 new leaders to be trained in order to start new Bible study groups in 8 new church denominations. Camila also visited and preached in 4 different churches.

BDM also started a new online class with 140 ladies, from all parts of Brazil, who don't have a Bible study group in their towns.

That's incredible to see how the Lord has been opening the doors for this ministry with ladies in Brazil. It is clear that the Christian Brazilian women are thirsty for tools to help them to learn and live the Word of God.



Dear precious friends, thank you very much for reading our newsletter. May God be with you and bless your lives very much!

To God be the Glory for all His great deeds!

In His Unfailing Love,
Bruno, Camila, and Mariano.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- * For my trip with our staff in the Northeast;
- * For our next mission trip to Bolivia to help our local staff;
- * For a possible new staff member;
- * For a new big project in which we are still working.

