



Ordination of Daniel

# The True Hawkins Family - Brazil

May 2013

Dear Praying Partners,

**Fellowship Meeting** – We held a prayer breakfast and a meeting on Saturday to decide some issues about the mission and the Bible Institute here in Manaus. There were 27 pastors present, and progress was made on the need for financial assistance and 12 churches have promised to support the projects.

**Construction Projects** – More construction materials have been purchased and the brick layer contracted for the project in Purupuru. We are still receiving some violent rain storms that could wash away the brick work, so they have stopped raising the brick. Presidente Figueiredo has raised the walls and poured the floor of the 2<sup>nd</sup> story beneath the auditorium.

**Personal Ministry** – We have continued to speak at mission conferences, a youth congress, and helping the churches without pastors, and administering the Lord's Table. We had another ordination ceremony on April 27, and Daniel is the new pastor at Bethel Baptist Church in Tancredo Neves.

**Interior Ministry** – The Beruri Project has received their structure and roof, and we hope to put it up by July. The Amazon River came up very quickly this year, and several of the towns are flooded again – including Anori, and this will make their project much more difficult. We sent iron and plywood up to Barcelos where pastor Francisco Martins plans on making tables and chairs for a new Bible Institute in that interior town. We have needed an institute in the area, which is located 300 miles upriver from Manaus.

**Bible Institute** – I finished teaching two 9-week courses here in Manaus, Hermeneutics and Poetical Books. There will be two men graduating on May 25, bringing the total of trained men and women to 232 from this school. It is celebrating 40 years this May.

**Family** – Diana and I both have spent three weeks laying low. We both got Dengue Fever on April 11. Mine came with a combination of the virus and a urinary tract infection. Instead of preaching at our work in Presidente Figueiredo, I ended up most of the night in their municipal hospital. This was my 5<sup>th</sup> time of Dengue, and I came very close to death.

**Thanks** – For your continued prayers and faithful and generous giving. We are thankful for your missionary vision and for your partnership in the Lord's harvest.

In His Service,

*True and Diana Hawkins*



Presidente Figueiredo Construction



Hospital visit