



KM 142

# The True Hawkins Family - Brazil

June 2011

Dear Faithful Friends and Supporters,

**General** – We had over 35” of rain in April so everything had mold on it. Dry season usually begins in June, but by July we will be anxious for rain. We are expecting a hot and dry period of several months.

**Indian Ministries** – Pastor Marcilio began the new institute at Maçarico on March 10, with a dozen students and named it Berean Bible Institute. He had four saved and baptized and two reconciliations on his last trip to the Xié River, where he is working with an unreached tribe.

Pastor Alberto (Word of God Bible Institute) is on a two week trip with pastor Luis (Living Word Bible Institute) evangelizing on the Içana and Ayari Rivers, and on into Colombia, contacting new people groups. They are currently on a mission to reach 14 new villages.

News from Peniel Bible Institute on the Andirá River is that graduate number 18 has finished, and is working along with the others among the Satarê Mawé people, and their plans to evangelize the Mundurucu people continue.

**Bible Institute** – Here in Manaus, we have one graduate, Claudio Hilário, from Santa Isabel on the Rio Negro. I taught 18 weeks this semester, doubling up so as to finish in 6 weeks. We enjoyed teaching Daniel & Revelation and the class on Bible Prophecy.

**New Works** – We’ve collected everything for the new work in Puru-Puru. The bench legs are ready, the wood is drying, and bolts, paint, wire and electrical are all packed. The pulpit is done and we await opportunity to travel. The road into the community is impassable due to rain.

The building at KM 142 is half way up on the brick, but the rains were so heavy that work had to be stopped. Pastor Moisés, who is in charge there, has to do 3 sessions of dialysis per week, so we are stalled again.

**Memorial** – On May 28, we had the memorial service for our people here in Brazil. There were around 600 present, and they were given a chance to personally express their grief, and begin the closure process.

**Ministries** – We are planning a music conference on July 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> with Dr. Lonnie Shipman coming from the U.S. to teach two of the sessions on the theme *Biblical Principles for True Worship*.

Our building ministries interior are stalled due to all the activity in and around Manaus, weddings, conferences and graduation, so we are anxious to go to Anori and Beruri as time permits.

**Ordination** – Ten of our local pastors were present to examine Amarildo in April, and on May 14<sup>th</sup> laid hands on him and he became the new pastor at Ebenezer Baptist Church the same evening. Both he and his wife are graduates of the institute here in Manaus.

**Thank you** so much for your letters, cards and emails expressing your sympathy and for all the encouraging words. We are very appreciative of your concern for us as a family and as your missionaries.

In His Service,

*True and Diana Hawkins*



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