



Flooded homes

The True Hawkins Family - Brazil

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Dear Faithful Friends,

Construction Projects – We spent 11 days on a trip up the Amazon and Purus Rivers to the city of Beruri. There are 18,000 people in town, and we have an excellent location and opportunity area in that city. It took seven work days to raise the brick up to the concrete “belt”, and prepare it for the angles for the roof. We had twelve men lined up to help, and only one showed up, and some problems with the brick delivery, and vandals who pushed down two of the walls one night, but we were able to finish the job. The people there are very excited about the building (32’ x 65’) and are anxious to start services there. The community has boomed, with new people and homes springing up all around, making it a perfect situation to build the church.

The Purupuru project is completed to phase one, and now we dig the foundation for the auditorium in July. The people there have shown interest in the work, and are being followed up on by Militão and Olivia. They are having the services in their front room. We hope to pour the foundation before August 15th.

News from the KM142 project is that they are ready to roof the new building.

The city of Anori continues submerged, so that project is on hold.

Flood – We had a record year for the river systems here in the Amazon, and achieved 30 meters above sea level. This means that since May, many homes, fields, and even cities went under water, and will be until July. The cities built on high ground have received a flood of interior people fleeing their homes and work areas.

Pastors’ Congress – We had 42 register for the pastors’ congress on May 25th & 26th, which ended our semester of Bible institute classes here in Manaus. Our objective and theme was to focus on fundamentalism and the pastor’s ministry. We had a good spirit, and were able to promote the missionaries’ presentations also, along with an open forum on Saturday with five of the directors of Bible institutes present. It took some work to bring it together, but I believe it was an important step to unite our churches here for local, regional, and world-wide missions.

Trip to U.S. – Our plans are to arrive in Texas on August 22nd, and return on October 31st. We have some health issues to resolve and other business to care for, and we hope to visit as many of our supporters as possible. The plan here is to inaugurate the church buildings at KM 142, Anori, and Beruri in November and December, so we need to return by year’s end.

Thanks – Thank you so much for standing with us, and remembering us in prayer. We have been through and continue in some of the roughest waters in our entire ministry. God has blessed and incredible things are happening, but it has been at great expense. We appreciate each and every one of our partners in the harvest.

In His Service,

True and Diana Hawkins



Vandals’ work



Ready to pour the concrete “belt”