The True Hawkins Family - Brazil

Dedication of first grandson

November 2012

Dear Faithful Senders,

Family – We delivered Grandma Hawkins to her new home in the Kansas City area, and got to see our family there, Joe and Esther Martin and children. We also got to spend some time with Philip in Colorado, and Nathaniel and Amanda in Texas and meet our grandson Anthony. It was a blessed time to be with Diana's relatives in Kansas, and get to visit a few of our supporting churches.

Medical – My exams came back and showed some blood alterations, and the procedure discovered I (True) have diverticulitis. Of course that means I have to stop eating everything I like. Besides a bout with the virus we both seem to be in fair health.

Return – We had an interesting flight back due to bad weather in Manaus. We were in a holding pattern for 40 minutes until the pilot thought it safe to land. He misjudged it by a few minutes, and we hydroplaned on the runway, but he was able to hold us on the pavement. It was a very violent storm, destroying more than a hundred homes in the city, and leaving us without power and internet for days.

We are not beginning the process of transferring the mission office, shop, and the guest apartments to new facilities. This will occupy most of our time until December.

Projects – News from Purupuru is good, both about the construction and the spiritual work. Services have continued and the group has grown to ten, through ladies' meetings and visitation. Militão and Olivia are moving on the 3rd to stay there 24/7. The walls should be going up on the auditorium by the end of November, if the heavy rains will hold off until then.

The doors and windows are already in Beruri, and we are awaiting opportunity to go and put the roof on and set them in place. The river is very dry, making navigation difficult, so we are on "hold".

I have no news yet on the progress of the construction projects on KM 142 and Anori.

Thank You to the Harvest Hills Baptist Church in Duncan, OK, for the special gift toward the projects, and for each and every one who are an encouragement to us by your faithful prayers and giving.

In His Service.

True and Diana Hawkins