



## The True Hawkins Family

March/April 2014



Camp

Dear Friends,

**Interior Ministries** – I received a letter from Kasawá village (Hexkaryana people), asking for help on a project to evangelize their lost tribal relatives. Several of their area churches have joined in, but they lack a few things from town. They asked for help to rent a plane (\$665.00), to mark the GPS of these villages from the air, and then go up as far as possible by canoe and strike out through the jungle to contact these people with the gospel. They asked me to help them buy 5 knives, 5 machetes, 1 tarp 10x6 meters, 36 batteries, 5 flashlights, 5 packs of matches, and 6.6 lbs. of salt, their most valuable item. This is to preserve the game they kill on the way, and to share with the villages, which value it above everything. These are opportunities which we can't pass up, and a great privilege to be a part of. I plan to raise the funds at the pastor's prayer breakfast on April 12, and challenge our churches to go further and do more. Recently we purchased a 7 meter aluminum canoe for Pastor Marcílio on the Içana River (\$2800.00) with help from our churches here, so we see God working in their hearts.

**Beruri** – The church is doing very well. They finished and painted their floor, put up their new sign, put in the electric, and are plastering the interior walls this month. Their average attendance is 50 and 60 already. They had four young people saved in January; Rogério, Clauberson, Wendel and Diego, and one in February.

**Purupuru** – the bricks are all up, and the structure prepared for the roof. Militão and Olivia moved their wooden house as the building went up around it. They are excited about having lots of room to meet, as their living room was becoming very small. Our churches here in Manaus have embraced their ministry there, and have raised funds and sent evangelistic teams to help them build the church.

**Church Ministries** – Our task recently has been to create Sunday school lessons for the churches, especially the interior ones that don't have access to needed materials. We finished 9 lessons on the local church, 10 general lessons, 10 for youth groups, and 10 on the family. We are working on lessons on creation, eschatology, personal relationships, and history of the Baptists. We are organizing the pastors' congress for May 29-31, and have 11 preachers lined up to speak. We continue working in the legal area for the mission, and also trying to resolve the land taxes on 19 of the properties. This has been challenging, time consuming and expensive. I have continued preaching missions and Bible conferences, hoping to be a blessing and a challenge to our people here. There is so much potential, but many adversaries.

**Youth Camp** – Despite having only 60 youth, we had a great time at camp. I gave four lessons on relationships, and called on them to rise up and work for our Lord. I am praying for 200 young couples to be raised up by God so we can reach the entire Amazon basin, and the surrounding countries. Many were unable to come due to work and school schedule changes because of the upcoming World Cup here in Manaus, so we are planning a youth congress.

**Thank You** once again for making it possible to make a difference here in the Amazon.

In His Service,

*True and Diana Hawkins*



Supplies for the interior