



## "Even so it is not the will of your Father in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish." Matt. 18:14

Lucas, 12 years old, is one of the Bujaru children that gave his heart to Jesus at the VBS we had last year in August. His father is a fisherman and struggles to support his wife and their 5 children. One of Lucas's siblings died at



Lucas at VBS in Aug. 2014

the age of 2 and since then his mother went into depression and does not leave the house.

However Lucas, his father, his brother and his sisters have been coming to the children's meetings and church services ever since the VBS last year. Lucas and his sisters also have been attending the music school that

Rachel is teaching in Bujaru each Saturday.



Lucas leaving operating theater on the way to ICU

Lucas and family receive food basket from church worker Vanessa

About 6 months ago, we noticed that Lucas was losing strength in his left hand. Then, 2 months ago, his left leg began to drag. After tests at the local hospital, his family was told that he had a very advanced brain tumor and needed surgery immediately.

The wait in the government hospital took all month. Our Hope Ministry churches in Bujaru and Castanhal took up collections to help with food and family needs while Lucas's father stayed with him at the hospital. Lucas was operated on yesterday. Before his surgery he testified of his faith in Jesus and his confidence that the Lord would heal him. The doctors said that it was a very difficult surgery and that his chances of full recovery were uncertain but we are believing God for a miracle!

Please pray with us for Lucas and his family!



New mission boat picking up children for VBS



Bujaru girls at VBS



VBS Bujaru

VBS Bujaru and Castanhal 2015



Evelyn



"I want to follow Jesus!"

This year 100 children in Bujaru and 30 children in Castanhal were reached with the love of Jesus through our VBS programs last week. Lynette, Kristi and her two daughters, Isabel and Madilyn came from Texas in time to help with the VBS. They also went with us to make evangelistic visits along the river.

Thank you so much all of you who have given to finish our mission **boat!** Thank you for each and every gift that enables our workers to reach these children and families and show them the value they have. Thank you for opening your heart, for caring and for making a difference.

Much love,

## Scott and Michelle Toth and family





VBS Bujaru



Lucas's sisters and brother at Bujaru VBS



VBS Castanhal



Using new mission boat to make visits on the river

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"May your unfailing love rest upon us as we put our hope in you" Ps. 33:22