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"Your people will volunteer willing in that day...your young people will be as plentiful as the morning dew." Psalm 110:3

YOUTH CAMP, February 8 – 10 of this year, was our best camp yet! The camp this year was so special because we could see God answering years of prayer to give the young people from our Castanhal city church a heart for mission work on the rivers.



When we built our Bujaru river church in 2012 we decided to hold our youth camps at the river church to give the youth contact with church planting on the rivers and a vision for missions. This year we had 85 full and part time campers! The theme was **CONNECTED** – first with Jesus and then with one another. We also emphasized being connected with the vision that God has given to our church of reaching the unreached river people with the Gospel.



One morning of the camp was set aside for going out in groups to make visits to the homes along the Guama River between our Bujaru church and the next village of Conceição.



The youth also collected food from businesses here in Castanhal. One food chain donated 480 packages of panettone fruit bread for us to distribute. Armed with the love of Jesus, the Word of God and our panettones we visited 34 different homes along the river.

Literature packets were prepared that included a Gospel of John and invitations to the Bujaru Church and the home group that we are holding each Friday in the village of Conceição.





That night, 30 new people from the homes that they visited came to the evening camp service. Over 20 of these visitors have been coming back regularly to the church services in Bujaru and the home meetings in Conceição in this last month since the camp was held.

Our young people shared the gospel, prayed for the sick and invited the families to church. They were so excited about getting out on the river and participating in the mission work first hand that many did not want to stop for lunch. Others wanted to give up their afternoon swim time in order to go back and visit more families.





We are still raising money for the remodeling of the medical boat and for legalizing all the documents. Please continue to share as you are able to make this ministry possible. Your gifts are being used to reach a people with the love and compassion of Christ!

Work is continuing on remodeling our medical boat to add the medical and dental rooms! The Port Authorities in this area are sending a naval engineer out to the boat yard to make sure that all the work is done according to safety regulations.



"I will plant my people in the land for myself. I will show mercy on her who has received no mercy I will say to those who were not my people, 'You are my people!' and they will say, 'You are my God." Hosea 2:23

Love,

Scott and Michelle Toth and family

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