

Highlights 2021

Toth Family, Brazil

"So shall my Word be that goes out of My mouth: It shall not return to Me void..." Isaiah 56:11





Philip treats patient in Alegre Vamos



Youth meeting at Alegre Vamos

**Six years ago**, the Lord provided our first medical boat, Esperança II, to minister to the people along the Guama, Capim and Moju Rivers. He gave us the promise that those who "go out bearing precious seed would come again rejoicing, bring their harvest with them." Psalms 126.

God has been faithful to His promise. This year we were able to hold over 40 clinics along these three rivers, treating hundreds of patients- children, mothers, elderly and anyone in need. We took teams of dentists, doctors, physical therapists, nurses and church workers to minister to the patients. This medical ministry has opened doors for holding evangelistic meetings, home groups and for the beginning of two new churches.

This year God has provided funds for starting our church building in Alegre Vamos on the Capim River. The land donated for the church has been cleared and is ready for building now in 2022. The Alegre Vamos Church will also be a base to reach out to 7 more nearby river communities.



Little girl arriving at clinic in Alegre Vamos

## Doors Open for Evelyn's House!!!



Michelle, Rachel, lawyer Yasmin and Bujaru Mayor holding plans for Evelyn's House in front of land donated by the mayor.

**The children** in the picture on the right are from a family in the community of Itabira along the Guama River. When we first met their grandmother, she was a widow raising the 3 youngest of her own 9 children along with 7 of her grand-children. One of

After years of praying and waiting for God to provide, He has opened the doors for Evelyn's House, a safe home for abused children along the rivers. This year the mayor of Bujaru donated a beautiful piece of land for Evelyn's House. Hope Ministries received the documents for the land in November. We are hoping to start building as soon as the rainy season is over in June of 2022.



River Missionary Lucas with 6 children from Itabira

her daughters that was mentally handicapped and had two children also lived with her. Two of her granddaughters were abused at 12 and 13 years old, taken out of her home, and sent to another town. Now, the grandmother is too old to help and the mentally handicapped daughter is taking care of 10 children - 4 of her own and 6 of her nieces and nephews who have been abandoned by their parents. It is one of the saddest situations we have ever seen. The children often go more than a day without food. The little boy in the middle is mute. One of the little boys has come to our clinic many times for Deborah to dig out dozens of sand fleas that burrow into his hands and feet from the filth of their dirt floor house that had monkeys, dogs and chickens roaming around.

Lucas, our Bujaru missionary, has been working with this family for over a year now to change their desperate situation. He built a one-room brick house to get them off the dirt floor and keep the animals outside. He checks on them weekly, taking a food basket and hygiene products for them. He shares the gospel with the children on each visit while teaching them Biblical principles and safeguards against abuse. This is exactly the type of abandoned



children that we plan to take into Evelyn's House once it is open.

The little girls on the left with Philip also come from a very dysfunctional family. Their mother has 4 little girls from 4 different men that have all left. There are so many children along the rivers who are full of smiles when given attention but return to homes where they suffer abuse and neglect. Our first priority is to work with each family where the parents are present in order to break the cycle of destruction so prevalent in their culture. Secondly, we want to help provide e a safe home for children in abusive situations until they can be placed with families that will truly

Philip with Bujaru children



Little girl from Alegre Vamos with volunteer from Medical boat



Michelle with children from Paritá

care for them.



Girl from Açu

# Thank You God for 2021....



New church building going up in Açu



Elsie Schlatter shares at Missions Conference –



Scott baptizes Hildo - Castanhal Church



Michelle's cousins Lynn and Marlise visit from Indiana



Distributing used clothes and food baskets at São Lopez



Marçal Evangelizes at Taperinha – Capim River

Below - Evangelistic Meeting at Alegre Vamos



Hungry Generations evangelism in Castanhal schools



Texas Team remodels Parita Church on Moju River



**Revival Nights at Alegre Vamos** 

Below - Castanhal Church youth group



# **Toth Family**







Deborah, Philip and Havilah

Scott with mother, Wilma, and Michelle in Richland, WA





Grandson Christian at beach in Salvador



Michelle with parents Vic and Elsie



Christina, Higor and Christian



**Michelle and Scott** 



Philip and Deborah



Marcos and David



Bethany with nephew Christian



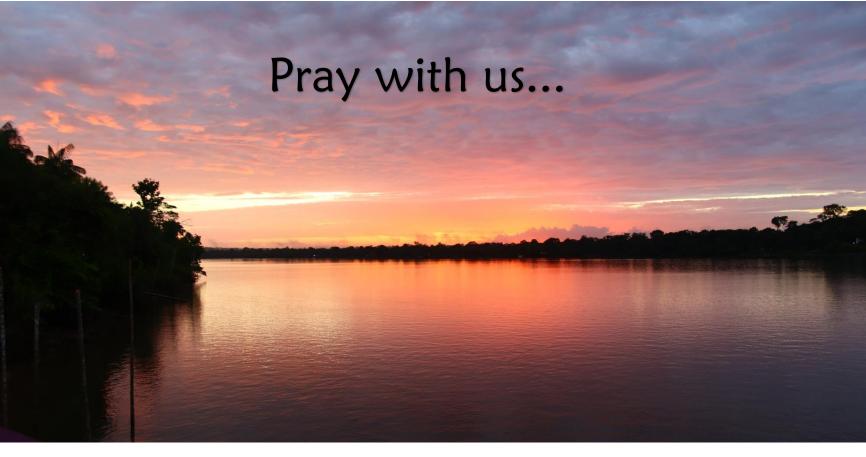
Rebekah, Havilah, Michelle, Deborah, and Rachel



Marcos, Rachel and David



Marçal and Rebekah



### "If you ask anything in My Name, I will do it." John 14:13

Pray for the Toth family.....for health, strength and wisdom for this next year of 2022!

Scott and Michelle. Pastors, directors of Hope Ministries.

- Marcos and Rachel, son David. Marcos and Rachel are both working in the church office and Rachel is working to start the children's home ministry, Evelyn's House.
- Marçal and Rebekah, sons Jonathan and Benjamin. Working as pastors in Castanhal and church planters on the rivers.

Bethany is working teaching English and living in Salvador, Bahia, Brazil.

- **Higor and Christina, son Christian.** Higor is in his second year of ICU residency in the city of Salvador, Bahia. Christina is working part time to help with residency expenses.
- **Deborah** is directing the medical boat ministry and health clinics. She is also working with ministry to women and youth in the river churches and here in Castanhal.
- **Philip** is finishing his last 2 months of nursing school which was delayed because of the pandemic in 2020 and 2021. He is also working full time in the Castanhal Church with administration, youth, outreach and worship.
- Havilah is in her third year of law school and working part time with a law firm. She also works in our Hope Ministries office with accounting.
- Pray for the Vic and Elsie Schlatter, for Vic for health and cognitive ability, for Elsie for strength and joy in caring for Vic.
- Pray for missionary Laurie Petroff that she would be able to get her permanent visa for Brazil and learn the language quickly!
- **Pray for the Castanhal Church.** Pray for strong marriages and families, for young people with a focus on God's Kingdom, and for God to send out missionaries and pastors to the new church plants on the rivers.
- Pray for our Four River Church Bases at Betel (Bujaru), Açu, Paritá and Alegre Vamos. Pray for God to give us pastors of His choice for the churches in Paritá and Alegre Vamos. Pray for revival and a great harvest in each area where we minister!
- **Pray for the Medical Boat Ministry.** Pray for funding for medical trips, safety as we travel and for doctors, nurses and dentists to serve as volunteers on the boat trips. Pray that with each trip many would receive Jesus and be born again.
- Pray for the Children's Home Project, for financial resources, staff for the project, and for government approval at every step.



### "Great is Your faithfulness." Lamentations 3:23

#### Your gifts in 2021 have provided:

- Funds for monthly health clinics in Bujaru and medical mission trips on Guama, Capim and Moju River.
- Funds for maintenance and painting of medical boat.
- Small boat for evangelism and ministry at Paritá on the Moju River.
- Funds for adding bathrooms and front porch for clinics at Paritá Church.
- Monthly support for Toth family.
- Bibles for evangelism and teaching new believers.

#### **Opportunities for giving in 2022:**

- Funds to complete first river church on the Capim River at Alegre Vamos bathrooms, roof, and energy lines.
- Funds for small clinic building at Alegre Vamos Church.
- Construction of pastor's house at Alegre Vamos, Capim River.
- Continued funding for medicines and medical boat trips on the Guama, Capim and Moju Rivers.
- Funds for Evelyn's House construction of home and vehicle for home.
- Support for Toth family

**Thank you**, each of you who are praying and supporting this ministry. God's purposes are being fulfilled. He is raising up His church, strong and mighty, to reach out to the weak, the hurting, the least and the last who still need to hear about His wonderful plan of salvation.

### "He is not willing that any should perish..." II Peter 3:9

Love, Scott, Michelle and Family

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