

God first led us to Alegre Vamos in 2016

Our son in law, Marçal, piloted our small river boat (pictured below) for Michelle, Deborah, Philip and two church workers to see where God would open doors for our next river base. About 80 miles up the Guama and then Capim River, we passed a small rundown school house in the jungle community of Alegre Vamos. We heard the Holy Spirit say, "This is the place I have called you."



Team of 6 leaving to explore Guama and Capim Rivers



Alegre Vamos School House

One and a half years later, in November of 2017, we came back for our first visit with our newly purchased medical boat. In March of 2018 we were able to bring our first medical team from the US to treat patients using the school building to hold the clinic. In April of the same year our Castanhal Church returned to Alegre Vamos to repair and paint the school to bless the community there.



Medical Boat docked at Alegre Vamos for clinic



Dr. Paul and wife Jenny



Newly painted Alegre Vamos School



Evangelistic Meeting at Alegre Vamos School

For the last 4 years we have held clinics at the Alegre Vamos school every 2-3 months. We have had evangelistic services in the evenings in the school building where many young people have made decisions to follow the Lord. Dr. Brian and Dr. Paul returned in 2020 with dentists and other medical workers. Multiple teams of Brazilian doctors, dentists and health workers have ministered to 100s of patients in this community. A team from Hungry Generations, Pasco, WA came to hold revival services in 2021. We have shared food baskets, used clothing and Bibles and spent hours listening to, praying with and ministering to the people.

Last year the people of Alegre Vamos responded to our love and care for them by donating a beautiful piece of land right next to the school for us to build a church and new river base for reaching further along the Capim River. This church will be a place for the many new believers in the surrounding communities to meet as well as open the door to reach another 120 miles up the Capim River to more distant communities. God has been so faithful in giving us this open door to win one more area of Brazil for His Kingdom!

Now, this year, your giving has enabled us to start a church building! After six years of sowing and praying, we were able to put in the foundation of the Alegre Vamos Church this August! With great difficulty and varied attempts we were able to get a truck to come through a nearly impassable jungle road to deliver bricks, cement and building supplies. God gave us a team of excellent workers who were able to raise the walls up during the month of September and now we are ready to put the roof on this next month. The neighbors are so thankful to see that they will finally have a church right next door.



Digging the first footer at Alegre Vamos Church



Truck load of bricks and cement arrives



Right - Pouring concrete foundation



We have already purchased the roof tiles and have funds for the labor to put them on. We still need funds for the floor, windows, doors and bathrooms. **Thank you so much**, those of you who have given so generously to bring us to this point! **And thank you, those of you whom God is putting it on your hearts to help us complete this building.** The building will be used for both church services and for clinics when our medical boat comes to treat the people in this area.

Left – Alegre Vamos Church

“Earnestly remember the marvelous deeds that He has done!”

Psalms 105:5

As we look back and remember all God has done to bring us to this point our hearts are filled with praise and thanksgiving. The end of September, we made a short trip to the US with my mother, Elsie, to celebrate my father, Victor Schlatter’s, life. We had a beautiful memorial service in Leo, IN, as people from all over the US and Canada shared memories and the many ways they had been encouraged and ministered to through my dad’s life. We rejoice in seeing God’s promises fulfilled as **“we publish His praise from generation to generation!”** What a privilege to continue with the call of my parents to preach the gospel to the ends of the earth.



Elsie with family at memorial service in Indiana

Love,

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“May Your unfailing love rest upon us as we put our hope in You.” Psalm 33:22