

## Raising up local pastors in Bujaru.....



Benedito teaches at baptism at Bujaru

This February, Benedito had the privilege of baptizing his oldest son, Judson. Benedito is preaching and teaching in the Bujaru church as well as evangelizing neighboring communities with the help of a worker sent out from our Castanhal church. The Bujaru church is growing with new people that we have been reaching out to for many years and we see God transforming this once hopeless community.

God brought us to Brazil to plant churches along the Amazon River tributaries. A large part of our work is to train Brazilian pastors for each of the churches that God enables us to start. **Benedito** was one of the first people to give his life to the Lord in Bujaru and was baptized almost 9 years ago. Though Benedito experienced great trials and difficulties over the past years it was obvious that there was a call of God on his life for full time ministry. Benedito has now taken on the work of pastoring the local church in Bujaru. God has blessed him with a wife that loves the Lord and accompanies him in ministry and four beautiful children.



Missionary Lucas and Benedito baptize Benedito's son, Judson



Rai and wife Joselli

**Rai**, Benedito's brother in law, was also one of the first people that came to our church in Bujaru. Rai lived a terrible life before he came to the Lord. He would use any kind of drugs he could buy but was especially addicted to oxycontin (an opium drug that is addictive like heroin). He was wanted by the police as well as on a hit list of other drug dealers. When he gave his life to the Lord, he left Bujaru and admitted himself to a drug rehabilitation program in another city.

Rai's life was transformed. He married his girlfriend, Joselli, (Benedito's sister) and they started attending church with their two children. This year Rai and Joselli returned to Bujaru to help as workers in our church where they first met Jesus. They are now in training to be full time in ministry. Benedito also baptized their two children (now teenagers) this February. There is so much joy in seeing the beautiful change in the lives of these two families!



Lucas and Benedito baptize Rai and Joselli's son, Josivaldo

# Paritá Church - Moju River



Medical Boat arrives at Paritá

Last month we held a two day clinic with the medical boat at Paritá on the Moju River. A doctor, dentist, physical therapist and two nurses treated over 120 patients.

We were also able to use the time there for holding special church services and training meetings for the church leaders at Paritá.



Training leaders at Paritá

These families that today are carrying the work forward are leaders that we have invested in for many years. It is a great joy to see the fruit of God's Word that has been sown into their lives.

*So shall My word be that goes forth out of My mouth: it shall not return to Me void but it shall accomplish that which I please and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.*  
*Isaiah 55:11*

Thank you so much for your participation in giving and praying so that God's Kingdom continues to advance in these river communities. Lives are being changed and generations are being won. God's Word is reaching to the ends of the earth!

Love,

**Scott and Michelle Toth and family**

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Moju River house



Patients arrive in Paritá for clinic

Pr. Arisvaldo and his wife Nilda (a couple that Scott married 23 years ago) are now pastoring the Paritá church.



Below -  
Pr. Arisvaldo preaches in Paritá



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