

“But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God...” John 1:12

Five new believers were baptized in Parita, at our Moju River base. One of them was Milagre (his name means “Miracle”.)

A little over 18 years ago, his mother who was 6 months pregnant with Milagre, slipped and fell. The baby stopped moving and for one week there was no sign of life. At the local health center, they told her that there was no heart beat and that she would need to abort the baby. But God intervened. A visiting pastor, Bert Hallencia, prayed for God to give life to the baby. The heart beat and movement returned and 3 months later, Milagre was born, completely normal.



Gathering for baptism at Parita, Moju River



Milagre baptized in Moju River

Now, Nov. 14, on the day of his baptism, Milagre met the man who prayed for him when he was still in his mother’s womb. Pr. Bert was visiting again on the Moju River for the first time in 18 years and was able to baptize Milagre. What a beautiful testimony of God’s faithfulness!

Another very special lady who was baptized was Thais. We had first met her in February of this year. She is only 22, has 3 little sons, and is pregnant with her fourth child. We wrote about her in our March update. Since then our pastors in Parita have been holding



Thais is baptized

weekly meetings in her home and Thais made a decision to follow Christ. The day after her baptism, her husband, Elias, came to the medical boat clinic and also prayed to receive Jesus! We are so joyful to see the fruit in the lives of these new Christians!



Elias, Thais and children at clinic in Parita

New Community Reached



Attending patients on Medical Boat

In October we were able to reach out to a new community, Cacoal, on the Guama River. Cacoal, is a community of about 1500 residents that is 1½ hours by medical boat from our Bujaru river base. The river people at Cacoal have no health care at all in their area and no Christian church. Sixty new patients were seen by the medical team and each one received a New Testament.



Missions and medical team - Cacoal

Vila Aviva

Our safe home for abused and abandoned children is becoming a reality! This year we received a generous donation from the Apostolic Christian Church Mission Board of Canada to start building a wall around our safe home property as well as to connect electricity and drill a well. So far, we have been able to hook up energy lines and the wall is almost to full height. Next year we are hoping to complete the home and then start taking in children in 2025.



Scott and Michelle at wall being built around Vila Aviva safe home property

“In Him was life and His life was the light of men. The light keeps shining in the darkness, and the darkness has never put it out.” In 1:4-5

Christmas is a wonderful time to celebrate JESUS, the Light of the world, that God sent so many years ago. Even with great darkness in many places, the light of JESUS shines on. The darkness will *never* overpower it. Thank you so much for helping us to bring the Light of our Savior to families, children and people along the rivers that have no other way to hear.

Have a very blessed Christmas!

Love,

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