

The Millers

In the Amazon

February 16, 2004

Greetings Fellow Warriors of the Cross from the Amazon! I know that this past weekend at home, (Decatur, Texas), there was an unusual thing that happened. They had several inches of SNOW!!!!!!!!!! While we enjoyed the snow through some pictures that my brother sent, it was difficult to "feel their excitement". Because here, where, we *are*, it wasn't snowing, it wasn't cold, and we couldn't see our breath when we breathed! It was, however, in the upper 90's and the humidity was almost 100%. Well, enough lamenting!!

Well, I hope you have been keeping up with the happenings here in the Amazon Region of Brazil. The new work in the small interior town of Urucará is off to a GREAT start. With two weeks behind us, we are very happy to report that 4 people have been saved, two young mothers and two children.



*This is
Jucilene with
her son.
Jucilene is the
first one to
accept Christ.*

*I am sorry, but
I do not have
pictures of the
children that
have been
saved. I will
try to have
those the next
time.*

*This is Rosilene
with her
daughter.
Rosilene is
Jucilene's sister.
She too has
accepted Christ.*



We are seeing between 25 and 30 people show up for each service. Even with this GREAT start to the Igreja Batista Âncora, (Anchor Baptist Church), we still have many things to overcome.

1. We need to buy the lot next to the church property. The woman that owns the lot also lives there. In the past, she has said without doubt, that she would not sell the property. As of last week, she has said that she would sell to us!!! Praise the Lord. The problem is \$\$\$.....we need \$2200.00 to buy it. This would give us two corner lots for the church. We really need this lot. Please pray with us about this need.
2. We are looking for some land to buy so that we can build a house in the area of Urucará. This will be somewhere around \$40,000.00. Please pray with us, also, about this need. We need to move to Urucará. Without this property, we are forced to stay in Manaus, some 8 hours up river!
3. As of this week, we will have used all of the money for the boat!!! I am finding out that there are MANY things that we will need for the boat that were not included in the price of construction. As it looks right now, we are \$12,500.00 short in order to finish the boat. I am very disappointed in this news. In Brasil, things are done even *more* different then I first knew. Here is an example: most of the navigation lights, which are required to have (of course), are not 12volt, but 110volt. This means that we will have to have a generator, and the generator will have to be set into the hull before the motor! I have already bought the motor, but not the generator. This could STOP construction until we have the money to buy a generator!

These are GREAT obstacles that we have to overcome in order for the work of the Lord to go forward. Please pray with us concerning these needs.

Here are some pictures for the construction of the boat so far...



Ronie, (the boat builder), and his helper make every cut on this aluminum boat with this jigsaw!!



This boat is all aluminum. It is 54ft. long and 13ft wide. It is scheduled to be finished by the end of March. But we will need \$12,500.00 to finish it.

Thank you for your faithfulness, and for all you do for the cause of Christ.

Serving Him Together,

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Luke 1:79a "To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death"