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Xingu Mission Field Report



The São João Church

The São João Congregation is growing both in size and in desire to follow Jesus. A congregation is defined as a community that holds a meeting whenever someone outside their community organizes one. This congregation is located west of the Xingu River on a tributary called the Cupari. One and one half years ago, Richie Bouthillier, a missionary that heads the base at Porto de Moz, met Zé Maria, the village health worker of Cupari, on the dock of a different village. Following a discussion, Richie was asked to bring water filters into the community.



The São João Congregation

Several attempts to enter this community were stopped due to plant obstruction in the river. On the fourth attempt, the Marantha III was able to drive through the obstructions. They reached the village with ten filters. Richie was asked to pray for a baby at that time who was ice cold, twitching and dying. During the prayer, the baby warmed and stopped twitching. Richie then took the baby to the city for care and is now completely healed.



A church without walls

The São João Church cont.



8 members were baptized

The next trip into the village, Richie took with him a visiting short term mission team from Vineyard Church of Columbus, and in the middle of the service twenty three people asked to be saved. During the third and fourth trips out to this community, they talked of building a church.

They used salvaged lumber for the structure and the floor. Recently, money was donated so

walls will be going up. At the most recent service there were three times as many people as the very first service. Also, praise God, eight of the believers were baptized on the most recent trip to the Cupari. *xm*



Baptism at São João

CDR—Computer Project

ITA has a new name and a new focus. It is CDR which stands Center for Regional Development. CDR is a non-governmental organization that is focused on social service outreaches throughout the community. Presently, CDR is overseeing our English School, Computer School, Chicken Project, and Wheelchair Project. Future projects include a housing complex for the physically challenged, a medical clinic, and classes teaching reading and writing.



Computer classroom at CDR

The Computer Project is one of our newest projects. Its focus is to teach underprivileged children and adults throughout the community basic computer skills. The project teaches programs such as Microsoft Windows, Excel, Word, and PowerPoint.

We are excited about this project because as students learn these skills it will empower them to become more marketable in the marketplace, and assist them in their school work. An added benefit of the project is that as students progress in their skills it is possible to

Jesus



Jesus being baptized

Jesus is the patriarch of the São João community on the Cupari River. Many years ago there was a family clash and the family split into two. Jesus drew more respect from the family in the way he handled the situation. His enthusiasm was great for bringing Christ into the village, but he wasn't accepting Christ into his life because he smoked and believed he had to stop in order to follow Christ. He allowed construction of the church to be connected to his house and would even go out and invite others to come when a service was being held, but he himself would not come. After a long discussion and a talk about God wanting to change him on the inside, Jesus finally accepted Christ at the service they held that evening. He was baptized at the most recent visit. Jesus remains enthusiastic about Christ and is a big part of the growth of this congregation. *xm*

Computer Project - cont.

become a teacher of the computer classes. Teachers are paid 1/2 of the income that is received from the class. So, if the teacher has 20 students paying R\$15.00 per month, they will receive R\$150.00 per month per class which is an excellent salary.

Another great benefit of the computer project is that each class is required to participate in a social project for the community. A social project could be cleaning up a local park, helping at the center for the handicapped, or informing the public of safety issues.

We are very excited about the change from ITA to CDR. With God's help we will be able to reach more of the community through this center. *xm*

