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## Xingu Mission Field Report



December 2005

## AGUA PRETA

The Agua Preta Church has been going and growing since 1997. The start of the church is closely tied to the salvation of Zemaide and Noemio who started the church. The church is located on the bank of the Xingu River. The church building was built in 1999 by a short term mission team led by Missionary Ritchie Bouthillier and has been blessed year after year. They have a weekly service with 30 to 40 people in attendance.



The Agua Preta Church



Missionary Bud Simon performing a Baptism

This church is a great model of the church planting movement here in the Amazon region. The church has planted another church around 5 miles further inland with a service every 15 days consisting of more than 25 people. These churches would not be considered big in North American standards but the people have an unquenchable passion to spread the gospel to the region. \*\*m\*

Xingu Mission Planting Churches and Training Leaders

## Noemio and Zemaide



Noemio and Zemaide

Noemio and Zemaide are leaders in the Agua Preta area. It is through the testimony of Zemaide that the church in Agua Preta was started and through their work in the area that the church has grown and has planted another church.

Before coming to Christ, Zemaide loved to party, smoke, dance and do many things outside the will of God. In 1996, she found herself very ill

and unable to get out of her bed for six months. Her niece brought a pastor to hold a church service in the area. Zemaide wanted to go, but was unable. She was very sad and cried out to God that if God would heal her she would believe in Him and do whatever He asked. Almost immediately, she started to walk, but with pain. Negative thoughts came right away and she found herself unwilling to leave her old lifestyle.

Shortly after this time, Zemaide had a dream and in the dream she saw a boat coming toward Agua Preta. On the boat was a man who told her that her physical problems were due to her lack of relationship with God. She prayed God would tell her what the dream meant. Later while taking a bath in the river, she cried out to God once again. Shortly



Pastor Niquinha and Franscisa

after, she met the man she had seen in her dream. It was Missionary Ross Hansen visiting that area for the first time. She knew by seeing him that God was responding to her prayers and he was going to heal her.

She went to Altamira to talk to Pastor Clenildo of the Vineyard Church. She asked

if he would hold a church service in Aqua Preta. They came and in 1997 the first service was held. At that first service Noemio and Zemaide gave their lives over to God's service. They have been faithful workers since. xm



Leaders Careca and wife

## Year End Status Report

2005 has been a year of growth for both the Xingu Mission and for the churches that it is helping to establish.

Two new missionary families joined the mission, the Van Hulles and the Kubackis, as well as Rachelle Meginbir, a single woman from Canada.

We have seen 8 churches started and 9 church planted. A church plant is where the church is meeting, but does not have a local leader in the area. The challenge of training local leaders



Porto de Moz new church

constantly looms before the church as the task to fulfill. It has been a real blessing to see different areas begin to blossom under their own local leadership.

The water filter project has completed 2 years of building filters and providing safe water in several communities. To date, approximately 500 water filters have been constructed. Currently the project has been halted due to lack of funds and restructuring with the intent of commencing again in the New Year. Within our social outreach program we have given more than 20 wheelchairs to handicapped children, and have started a computer and English school for the poor in the community.

We appreciate so much the prayers, financial support, and the visits throughout the year to aid the work that is going on here in the Amazon jungle.

We would like to ask for you to prayerfully consider either a one time donation or a monthly commitment to the General Fund. The Mission needs your partnership to change the lives of the unreached people of the Amazon. The General Fund covers expenses in three main



River girl

areas: 1) administration of the missionary team 2) aiding church growth and planting of new churches and 3) the integration of the International church with the National church. All three of these areas have lent a unique aspect to the Xingu Mission and we have seen God use it to bless both the growth of the church here in Brazil and to touch the lives of those that visit the churches in the Xingu Region. The Mission asks that you prayerfully consider how God wants you to partner in the work that lies before us. Our heart desire is to see a movement that will birth 1000 churches. \*\*m\*