Xingu Mission and Xtreme Mercy

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Missionary Documentaries

We had the great fortune to partner with Creative Impact to do several films for our Mission and the impact has been beyond our expectation. Creative Impact exists to serve overseas, full time missionaries with powerful tools to help them in connecting with their current and potential support base. They do work at no charge. All the missionaries have to do is buy their plane tickets, give them a place to sleep and feed them. They bring glory to God by telling the stories of what is currently taking place in missions around the world. www.creativeimpactministries.com

Creative Impact did four 30 minute documentary films for our team.

- 1. "Love.... Unfiltered" which is about the Bouthillier Family in Portel
- 2. "None of our Business" which is about the Wilson Family in Pacajá
- 3. "Always Forward" which is about the Snell Family in João Pessoa

4. "The Other Side of the River" - which is about the Dolan Family (coming soon) They also did 3 special purpose short videos about short and long term mission.

The "Love...Unfiltered" film was privileged to receive two awards at the 2019 Christian Worldview Film Festival. The "None of Our Business" film received 2 nominations at the same festival and another at the International Christian Film Festival.

If you have not had a chance to watch the video's. Please visit our site at www.xingu.org



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Field Report

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InterVinha 2019

At the end of June, I Richie Bouthillier, was privileged to attend InterVinha. InterVinha is a yearly conference attended by all the leaders of the Vineyard churches in Brazil. As you can imagine, getting leaders together is a challenge due to the lack of infrastructure and the fact that many of the leaders are ministering in remote locations. Some of the leaders traveled three days by boat to attend! Rich Nathan, the senior Pastor of Vineyard Columbus, was the keynote speaker. He challenged our way of thinking about pastoring, church growth and future church planting.

One thing that really inspired Rich was the quantity of young leaders that have risen up within the movement. Over 400 leaders were in attendance at the Northern conference alone. There was also a second conference held in the south of Brazil which was very well attended. It's exciting to see what God is doing not just here in the North but all over Brazil.

Many new churches are being planted by existing churches fulfilling the vision, "churches plant churches."



Rich Nathan preaching at the conference.



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Project Smile

It has always been important to the Xingu Mission to show love, mercy and compassion to the least and the lost. Recently a team of dentists from throughout Brazil came to Portel to partner with the local church and mission. Over the course of ten days, hundreds of teeth were either pulled, filled or cleaned. On one day alone 103 tooth extractions were performed. The breakdown was: 481 people were treated. A total of 1531 procedures were performed. 61 dentures were made and fitted. 341 children were treated with fluoride and 850 dental kits were given away. All free of charge. A special thanks to all who were involved, especially Daidi and Fatima who head up Projeto Sorriso, which translates to Project Smile.

While it was exciting to see so many people being helped, it was sad to see the neglect of the municipality in regards to the needs of the river people. Many of the people suffer for long periods of time as the tooth dies, and



Before and After - one more of many - Love the smiles

often suffer from infection. What we list as tooth extractions are usually just shards of a tooth that remain in an infected socket. When people need a dentist they can come to town, but are often forced to wait in long lines for many hours to try to get an appointment to see the dentist. If they are fortunate enough to get an appointment, which may be days or weeks later, they are given the choice of one filling or to have one tooth extracted. This is unfortunate because we come across people who have many teeth that are completely rotten and causing them great pain. It is no small task to attend this many people. in order to do this, the mission boat has been retrofitted with air conditioners below deck as well as compressors and generators. Several custom built dental chairs line the bottom area of the boat. Looking at the boat from the outside, no one would guess that there is a team of around 30 volunteers working feverishly to attend the dental needs of many people. *Richie Bouthillier*



The Team



eaching the children how to brush their teeth



Attending to patients on the Marantha III

Dreaming Together

At the end of September, the Senior Leadership team for the Xingu Mission was privileged to participate in summit meetings with the Northern Leadership of the Vineyard Association.

The purpose of the meeting was to develop strategies as partners to plant churches throughout Northern Brazil and the Amazon Basin. Currently 8 capital cities have been identified to have churches planted and to serve as hubs to spread the gospel here in the North. As the churches grow and expand, we have come to understand that the smaller churches in the rural areas do better when connected to larger urban churches. Additionally, the urban churches normally have more resources and serve as central locations to provide training in order to reach the surrounding areas. The Vision of the Xingu Mission is to train leaders and plants churches. It's exciting to see steps being taken as we meet to pray, dream and strategize. We are grateful for the many churches and individuals in the USA and Canada that partner with this vision. We also ask that you would pray for God's leading and direction to see thriving, missional churches planted in these 8 cities.



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Before and After - Amazing what our dentist did with few resources