
The latest Outreach Update

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Some of you will get this twice. I do apologize. (Being that I am from the jungle, it is actually quit amazing I can get a letter out to you all at all.)

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Dear Praying Partners, Greetings from the very rainy, Rain Forest. Our river overflowed its banks and for a few days was in our side and back yards, but it has since retreated. This raising reminded us again as it does every year how grateful we are for all the people who helped and gave to make our move up to higher ground possible. You all know who you are, but I would like to say a huge Thanks! As a matter of fact, there is one team that came down and put in a deep well for us! What an incredible blessing this well has been, not only to us missionaries but also to the entire village of Cosh! Thank you from the bottom of our hearts! Especially as we look out our window at the muddy swollen flood waters and remember we used to have to drink that.

Our team that went up the Jölöta River got back. In their report, they told how a man and his wife in the village of Bodomawä got publicly saved while they were there, for which we were rejoicing as they gave their report and are still rejoicing. We had given the man a Torch last year and in his testimony he told how as he was watching the Jesus movie, everything he had listened to on his Torch had really come alive and he knew it was true and he knew Jesus had died for him so he wanted to accept HIM. Right after he set down, his wife got up and asked God for HIS salvation. So praise the Lord with us.

The second and furthest village up there, there was almost no one home as most of the people were out on trek, but they did place some torches there with the old men who were there and promised they would come back when they figured the people might be back. It is a long way up this river and we were really disappointed to hear that most of the people were not there. Previously, I have made two trips up that river trying to get to that village and for some reason, we have not been able to make it there. Both times we were stymied by huge trees totally blocking the river with no way to go over or under the trees. This time, we made sure the river was at flood stage and they did make it up there, but only to find almost no one there. The few guys there were extremely nervous and begged our guys to leave so they did not even show the Jesus Movie there this time. Lord willing, next time.

Another team had left a few days ago to speak with and show the Jesus Movie in a large village on the Ocamo River. This village in the past has been extremely hostile to the Gospel but after us placing some torches there last year, they invited some of the church elders from here to go up there and teach them. They had a good time there as well. The wife and son of the headman who is also the witchdoctor of the village, accepted the Lord there. A few others got up and explained they were already believers as they had been listening to their Torches and also had come over here and we had taught them, when they had come over here for some torches. So praise the Lord! HIS Word continues to go out.

Then, yesterday morning at 8:30, 6 guys left from here heading up the Mavaca River. They are going to try and find two villages that we have located using our sat map. Pray for them, These first contact trips can be dangerous, but our guys were very excited to go. They will probably be gone about a week. They took 50 torches as on their way up to where we found these

villages, there are two other villages where we had promised them torches, so they will place those along with our translated books of King of Glory. Of course, in these villages, there are no readers but I felt we should at least give the ones we are giving a torch also a book and show them how they can follow along with the audio book on the torches, while looking at the pictures in the real book, so we are hoping, even people who can't read can follow along as the audio tells when to turn the page. Hopefully, this will give at least a few of them the desire to learn to read for themselves. We do know one day, we are going to have to place teams in these far away areas to start literacy classes to teach people how to read, but so far, the feedback coming back from this audio book has been extremely positive.

Thanks so much for your prayers and partnership! It has been hard to stay home while sending all these different teams out, but also fulfilling as they come home and give us their reports. But I do have to say, I can't wait until my nose has healed to the point where I think it will be safe to go out on the river and be in the sun again.

Anyway, sorry for getting so long winded.

Michael and Keila

pictures from top down:

1. Keila packing King of Glory books in Yanomamö in a water proof backpack
2. Putting boat in the River for the next outreach trip
3. .Chirino's team heading out.
4. Timoteo demonstrating a Torch for a group of Dyecwana men. We brought down 200 for this tribe.







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