

Bob and Karen Hamilton

ABWE (Association of Baptists for World Evangelization)



Both Karen and I were saved as children and raised in southeastern Michigan. In 1976, I (Bob) graduated from Moody Bible Institute's aviation program. Karen and I married in 1977, and for the next seven years, I worked as an aircraft mechanic, flight instructor, and corporate pilot in Weatherford, OK. From Jan 1985-July 1999, I flew freight for two airlines, Zantop, based out of Ypsilanti, MI and Kitty Hawk, based out of Dallas, TX.

We left for our first term as foreign missionaries in October 1999. God has given us six children, all of which Karen homeschooled for most of their years through high school. Our youngest was born 20 months before we left for our first term. For our first three terms, we lived in the town of Benjamin Constant in the Brazilian State of Amazonas along the borders of Peru and Colombia. Our main ministries have been evangelism, discipleship, helping with preaching and teaching in several churches and communities in the area.

The end of May 2017, we moved to Santo Antonio to become involved in an aviation ministry that allows me to fly a 2-seat amphibious biplane. This plane is used in four separate ministries. The first is to take Ticuna Indian pastors to Ticuna communities. The second is to take a national pastor to several remote Portuguese speaking communities to plant and develop churches. The third is for me to fly to hold services in a distant town where there is no local pastor. The fourth is to provide emergence medical or maintenance transportation.

Karen and I also continue evangelism, discipleship and teaching in our new home base of Santo Antonio. Once a month, I travel two hours up river in a small boat to spend the weekend preaching and teaching at a church without a pastor.