

The Olimpios

RENAN, JAHVONA, NOAH, LIZA & LAYN



A WORD FROM US

PRAISE HIM FOR THIS:

We have visited many people this month.

Noah had his therapies every week this month.



PRAY TO HIM FOR THIS:

We had an appointment with a specialist in autism. We have great expectations for the upcoming diet and supplements. But we need to do some blood tests, and Noah hates hospital environments. Pray that everything goes smoothly for all of us.

Pray for our trips.

Hello family!

June was a full month, so you're getting a late July update covering the past month. We just want to keep our commitment to update you guys as much as we can so you can closely follow the impact of your partnership and support.

In June, we started visiting the villages around Lake Castanho and Sacambu. These places are filled with villages, some as large as 300 people. They are very welcoming and face the same challenges as the other river villages, including drugs, dysfunctional families, and other social ills.

The Olimpios went to the village of Grêmio, where two other missionary families are located. We stayed with them and visited the same houses together. We were introduced to many families and helped with many activities. Renan started helping with the soccer school, where a group of about 30 young men gathers for discipleship and to play soccer. Renan has helped organize the strategy behind the school and the teaching at the discipleship gatherings.

One of the most beautiful aspects of discipleship and visitations is that we get to share God's word each time. I had the opportunity to explain the gospel to a family of three, and they committed their lives to Jesus after demonstrating they understood the need for a Savior. I will follow up on their progress in the Word of God.

Another beautiful thing is seeing our kids interact with the locals and develop their language skills. By playing soccer together and talking about everyday things, we see people show that all they need is connection. And when we connect with them, the message of the Gospel becomes more powerful. There's this boy called "Loirinho" ("Blondie") who has been challenging me on the soccer field, and we have had great fun. I know he has been talking down to him his whole life because he is skinny and small. But I want him to feel that he is important and that he can believe he is loved. Please, pray for people like this young man and that we may show Jesus' love to them.

Our family has been running around between homeschool, therapies, and ministry. Yet we have found great pleasure in doing what God told us to do. Jahvona has done an incredible job of staying at home when I go out on longer trips by myself. Pray that our rhythms and schedules will be fun, even during the busiest time of our lives.

WHAT'S NEXT?

Renan has a trip scheduled to the Purus River, where there are many isolated communities with very little exposure to the Gospel. The trip is supposed to last 12 days, and they will be visiting more than 12 villages. It will be a two-day trip just to get there, so you know it's going to be a very challenging trip.

We are still working on the house. We hope to continue our furnishing journey this month, as our financial situation allows. For now, we still have many boxes lying around, which have become climbing obstacles for Layn or tables for Liza's tea parties.

We will continue to take weekly trips to the Lake of Castanho for now and support the missionaries there with what we can. The next few months we will be in research mode and helping with whatever we can until we build a steady schedule.

MAY HIGHLIGHTS:



MAY fun numbers

3 villages visited.
3 soccer school meetings.



PICTURES

1-One of the missionary couple that work with us.
2-Soccer school event.
3- One of the villages in Castanho Lake.
4-Layn playing with a local kid.