

## The Smiths

## Missionaries to

## Brazil



Sharon and Bill

Dear Friends.

JANUARY - January 14<sup>th</sup> we already had some Pastors from Manaus here for the Pastor's Breakfast on the 15<sup>th</sup>. We had a good time of fellowship even though several couldn't come at the last moment. The Pastors shared things about their works and the women went visiting and gave out tracks and invitations for Vacation Bible School that coming Sunday through Wednesday. Lunch was served and we had a special service Saturday night. Pr. Nonato preached and two Indian Missionaries sang "How Great Thou Art" in their own language and then everyone sang in Portuguese. We had about 12 Pastors and their families.

Diving for God's Treasure was the theme of our VBS and we had a high day of 36. The kids ate octopus and seaweed (hot dogs and noodles) gummy worms and etc. Diana Hawkins helped us with crafts and games and did a great job. The kids went diving for prizes and other water games were played. Bible lessons were taught as well as verses.















In February we added another section onto the roof of the church building. You can see the big difference between 2007 and 2011. We had some of the boys and girls come to help paint the brick wall and church building. So many of the kids have no one to show an interest in them and we pray the Lord will allow us to be a blessing to them.

The three adolescent boys that were saved on January 5<sup>th</sup> have been coming to church services and every day to VBS. Pray they will be a witness to their families. Geanderson, has been saved over a year and rides his bike more than 2 miles each way to church. We have seen him grow spiritually even though he has to live with an older brother.





Please pray with us that we can see more adults coming to our church services and that we can continue to encourage our people to serve the Lord faithfully. Thank you for praying for us and giving financially. Our work here is just a small part of what God is doing in Brazil. Together we serve as a team. God gives each of us a job so that the lost might hear and come to know Him. Thank you.

Serving the Lord in Northern Brazil,

Bill and Sharon Smith