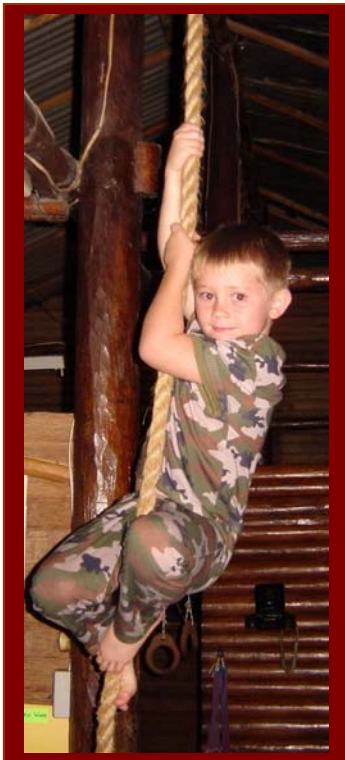




Bringing Back Barack



The Brown Family has lived in the village of Parimiu for 12 years, and never needed to request an emergency flight for a member of the family, until last month. They waited several days, expecting their son Barack to recover from the flu, as had his older sister and several Indians, but the flu became pneumonia and the available antibiotic wasn't working.

Tim flew in and brought the family out on Friday afternoon, and Barack was admitted to the children's hospital immediately. That night and Saturday morning Dan and Krista took turns with him. At times he seemed unconscious, his breathing was labored, and his face broke out in red patches. A Mom and Dad began to feel too close the possibility of losing their 12 year-old son. But on Saturday afternoon the different antibiotic took effect, and he began to recover.

Krista shared the post-flight details on their Brazilian blog, and expressed their thankfulness for Asas de Socorro, "who have always been there for us." We hope you will sense their gratitude and ours, as we pass it on to you.

Relatives in Rio

Ivan was a paratrooper in the Brazilian army, and has taken his iron determination - and his family - to the Yanomami village of Marari, where they are part of the team in ministry there. They are in town for a break, and recently Ivan was in the car with me and Rodrigo, our newest pilot here. Both started out in Rio de Janeiro, soon discovered that, and soon of course were comparing notes.





The Manchineri

After bemoaning the decline in bandit ethics (it seems they now assault neighbors as well as strangers), talk turned to the reactions of their respective wives on those first visits to in-laws in Rio. The wives were not accustomed to hearing occasional small arms fire day and night, or the precautions that go with living in such a place, and the visits were somewhat stressful.

Some of the in-laws wonder how Ivan can possibly take his family to live in a potentially dangerous place so far away from civilization, but both Ivan and Rodrigo are happy to no longer live in Rio.

Thanks for helping us support Ivan and his family, and preparing Rodrigo to continue that. Please pray for the team in **Marari**, where currently they are working on translating Genesis and Romans.

800 miles south and a little west (all rain forest), the **Manchineri Indians** now have the complete New Testament. The church had been successfully planted and the translation was completed off site, but MAF/Asas pilots supported the work for many years. You kept us there in 1993. Pray for the Manchineri church – that this new resource would cause continued growth.

We are starting to define plans for our time in the U.S. next year. Lord-willing, we will be on the east coast mid-June through early-August, and then in Washington state for the semester of school. Tim hopes to attend two engine maintenance courses, plus the maintenance training for the new Quest Kodiak, in order to pass it all on to our Brazilian colleagues here. The Civil Aviation Authorities here also like to see technicians with factory courses.

Luce has been very busy overseeing our hangar refurbishing, but as I write, has managed a week-long get-a-way to visit Lucas and some others. Lucas is busy with an extra course this semester, but still has time for the occasional “float-down,”* and weekly soccer practice and games. Jenny has swapped choir for piano lessons, and is sticking with them.

* Students motor up-river Sunday evening on the boarding school launch, turn off the engine, and float back down-river to school.

An answered prayer: the law, which could have had missionaries expelled from indigenous areas, has been held up, pending better analysis.

In Him,

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