

The Greiman Chronicles

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We thank the Lord as we finish the first semester at the Ammi Training Center. How wonderful to have a part in what God is doing here at Ammi.

Life is full of stories. They are in reality God's Story being lived out in our relationships with one another. We would like to tell you a few of these SAM/Ammi stories in which we have had the privilege of having a role.

In the 1960's SAM missionaries worked with the M tribe. When the government closed that area to "outsiders", the missionaries had to leave with no known believers in Jesus.

In 2012 a family from this M tribe arrived at Ammi unannounced. They needed to leave their village for a time due to some difficulties. The

school leadership said they could stay but had to participate in the Bible narrative classes. The parents had to learn Portuguese before they could learn the Bible narratives. Last year they finished the Ammi course studies and returned to their village.

One of their daughters was a single mom. She worked hard to tell the Bible stories. Through the stories God spoke to her heart and she believed in Jesus as her Savior. The end of the first school year she was baptized. God gave her a boldness to speak to her people about the true living God during the summer vacations. During her third year at Ammi a fellow from a neighboring tribe was interested in marrying her. We at Ammi were concerned that this fellow would lead her astray from God's word. She married him anyways. But what human wisdom

Ami 2018

- 18 total students
- 1 third year student
- 5 second year students
- 10 first year students
- 2 studying portuguese
- 8 different ethnic groups

Health Updates

Dave—January 4th Dave failed his "flying" test as he fell from a ladder and fractured his L1 vertebrae. We're thankful he has healed well.

Kay—On July 19, Kay will have surgery to repair a hole in the macula of her left eye.



Brazil—Adriella, our second granddaughter was born April 23 to Jeconias and Karissa and big sister Daniela.

USA—Our Montana kids, Alyssa and Nathan, are here in Brazil from July 5-13 to meet their two nieces for the first time.



did not know was that God was already working in this fellow's life. One year after their wedding they came to Ammi because the husband wanted to learn more about God's word. His wife, who graduated 1 1/2 years ago, is now working in the Ammi kitchen.

A few years ago a few other people from the same M tribe were invited to the mother tongue translators seminar held on the Ammi campus but sponsored by another mission. As far as we know none of them were believers. But they started translating the Bible into their own language with the help of a missionary who speaks their language. Some time passed and the missionary heard the news that one of the men had accepted Iesus as his savior and was baptized by another indigenous missionary. This man had such a burning desire for his sons to learn

about the God of the Bible. So last year he sent 2 of his sons to Ammi to study. They didn't know what they were getting into but by the end of the year, through the Biblical narratives, they too believed in Jesus. Then this year their sister came to study as well. God is allowing us to see fruit from seeds planted many years ago.

Another student from a B ethnic group shares how she was interested in what the missionaries taught and would go to church from time to time. Yet she still liked to go to parties and participate in worldly activities. But when her friends would invite her to go to the spirit centers she always refused to go. Looking back she sees how God was protecting her and preparing her to study at Ammi.

Even though Portuguese is the second language of all our students (as well as

many of us teachers), they are hearing and understanding God speak to their hearts as they learn to tell the stories of God from the Bible.

We want to thank all of you for your prayers and especially those who have had a role in this life journey in serving the Lord among the Indian people of Brazil.

Looking up for Home, Dave and Kay

Future planning

We anticipate being in the States January through July 2019.

Pray that we can find a furnished place to stay in the Princeton-Cambridge, MN area and a dependable car. We hope to see you during this time.

Retirement issues

While in the US we will be looking into some of the necessary issues regarding retirement. Dave's 70th birthday will be in 2020. Please be in prayer with us about these details.







