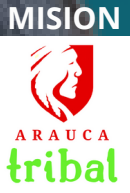


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A PROYECT TO DREAM ABOUT

By God's Grace, we have had the opportunity to see miracles of transformation in the hearts of the indigenous families in the Arauca, and in the families that need to hear God's advice. At times we have had to experience waves of violence that arise within the department of Arauca, and that perhaps will become the daily bread of the national news for a few weeks, but this also will pass. We know that only those of us who do God's will will be able to remain forever.

We will continue to believe that the power of the Holy Spirit will increase the number of His Disciples in the Towns of Arauca and that in this work that has already begun, God Himself will be in charge of improving it out of love for those who often do not know how to discern their right hand from their left hand.

This project is born from the heart of the Father and together we can carry it out for His Honor and Glory.



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missionary editorial



Taking advantage of the LEJEM visit, we shared the Good News because the Harvest is great in Arauca.

Wow! In April, we received a visit from our friends, the LEJEM team. They have a genuine interest in serving the Lord and being instruments of blessing. They all accompanied us from Bogotá to the communities of Macarieros, Macaguan, and Uwa. They also shared the Word of God with the children, they laughed and had great joy. The team sowed in the children a fresh seed of love and tenderness and blessed us with games, dynamics, theater, and mimes. All the activities had a message inspired by the Holy Spirit for the indigenous children of Arauca.

Going from theory to practice

After returning from their studies at "La Antorcha" (The Torch), the youths have put into practice what they received, and we believe that the Word of God in 2 Timothy 2:2 is being fulfilled: "You have heard me teach truths, which have been confirmed by many reliable witnesses. Now teach these truths to other trustworthy people who are qualified to pass them on to others."

God is teaching each of these hearts to love Him and to serve His countrymen.

They have been trained and now they are serving others with what they have learned. They felt a little nervous, but even with that, they have taught workshops about **The Christian Life and what it means to be a Christian**. Now they are happy because the same Spirit of God is revealing Himself in their lives to do things that they had not experienced before because of sin and they are going beyond their own expectations now as people who have a new life in Jesus.

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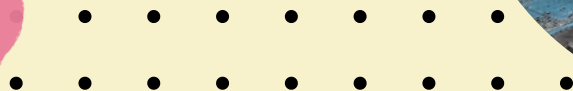


MACAGUAN RESILIENT WOMEN

Most of the indigenous women of the Macaguan community have experienced violence, mistreatment, child abuse, homes with alcoholic beverages abuse, and abandonment since childhood. Now the community is suffering another problem with the consumption of psychoactive substances such as "boxer" (this substance is a shoe-fix glue which (sadly) is commonly used to get high). This substance is affecting and captivating the attention of boys, girls, and adolescents from the community.

However, indigenous women from the Vigía community like Marley, Adelita, and Adelaida, who have suffered from these difficult circumstances, have been touched by the Word of God, and have experienced an inspiring change for any woman in the community. These women's faces have changed, their progress expectations have changed, and their way of doing things has improved.

Now Adelaida is working in her homemade garden and because of her good testimony as a Christian, she has been given participation in the kitchen of the community boarding school. Marley teaches her son Isbleiber the teachings of Jesus that protect him from others who have wanted to take advantage of him. and Adelita, longs to learn more about God to educate her 6 children, Anderson, Sarita, Jackson, Edin, Greidy, and Danna. A few weeks ago Adelita lost her last baby, but despite this situation, she remained faithful and attended the gatherings with God that we have in the community.



REMAIN BRAVE



Angie and José (the Uwa parents who have decided to have their twins with them) are understanding more of the gospel they receive every week in Angosturas. They feel supported by the indigenous Uwa church, who by teaching the Word of God, have offered them friendship without feeling opposition towards them. God is the one who has made it possible for this young couple to be held together with the firm purpose of protecting their daughters because they know that having them is the best gift God has given them.



...AND THEY WERE BAPTIZED



Christ's testimony among the Macaguan



There are times when we have had to listen to words of discouragement from other people who want to make us feel as if our task is failing. Most of the time they ask, why are we doing this? and they say "There will never be a change in the life of these communities" and that maybe it's not worth that much effort.

However, what we know is that God has called us and that He himself is taking care of producing fruits worthy of repentance among the indigenous people who are part of his flock. When these people talk to us like that, we remain silent, because JESUS' WAYS are different. His ways are always about Saving, Loving, and Forgiving and are full of patience, and that patience will result in lives that commit to being faithful to the Lord and following His footsteps. In these last weeks, God gave us another 6 Macaguan disciples and they publicly said they wanted to remain in the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. In addition, God is also surrounding us with good friends who share our same desire to serve Him and show others His love.



But Jesus said to them: «Let the children come to me»

After having an evangelical party, and teaching the 12 lessons of the GREAT ADVENTURE program of Samaritan's Purse, God gave us the privilege of having the closing party with the graduation of the children, in the community of Angosturas. We had 42 children disciples in Angosturas and 39 children among the Macarieros. We had beautiful times. We received support from the local church C.C.A. Saravena and Nuevo Fortul. The teachers from the local church helped us teach some lessons about the program and in the end, all these children received the best present: a beautiful illustrated children's Bible ...ah!... and also their diploma.

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WORKING AND COOPERATING



WE ARE TEAMING UP WITH "VISIÓN ÁGAPE" (AGAPE VISION)

We are counting on very valuable tools that God is placing in our path like ministries that support the missionary work and the persecuted church, and this is the case of Visión Ágape, who has blessed us with the workshop training called **STANDING FIRM THROUGH THE STORM** so that the indigenous church can be strengthened within their communities when they have to stand firm whenever persecution comes because of Christ. To the youths that we have sent to study at La Antorcha Bible Institute, the opportunity to teach some lessons from these workshops to their countrymen. That's the case of José Ramón, who has been sharing among the Uwa in Angosturas. We ask for your prayers so that the Word of God helps to keep the indigenous brothers standing firm.



GREAT NEW FRIENDS IN CHRIST



*We are
God's people*

If the Good News that we preach is hidden behind a veil, it is only hidden from people who are lost. Satan, who is the god of this world, has blinded the minds of those who do not believe. They are unable to see the glorious light of the Good News. They do not understand this message about the glory of Christ, who is the exact image of God. As you see, we are not preaching about ourselves. **We preach that Jesus Christ is Lord, and we are His servants because of Jesus. For God, who said, "Let there be light in the darkness," made this light shine in our hearts so that we might know the glory of God that is seen in the face of Jesus Christ. 2 Cor. 4:3-6, for this reason, God has moved us to build a church in Saravena and Gibraltar where families who have suffered violence and vulnerability need to hear the message of Jesus.**

YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE

YOUR CONTRIBUTION CAN CHANGE THE STORY OF
THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE IN ARAUCA - COLOMBIA

PRAY FOR FREEDOM

For God to touch the indigenous authorities' hearts so they grant us access to go in to the communities.

PRAY FOR GOD'S PROVISION

For our family to not lack any physical or spiritual good.

PRAY FOR MISSIONS

We pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest in Colombia and in other nations.



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