Unto Life Ecuador Cris & Daniela Jones

Hi, friends!

During this recent season, we have been in and out of the jungle many times for various purposes with a series of individuals and groups. The Lord has connected us with a friend who has a heart to use his medical training to serve. It is interesting to observe, when we arrive in a community, how many people have medical needs that we never hear about until arriving with a doctor! The benefit of serving the people in this fashion is significant.

In March, we were blessed to guide a group of individuals into the jungle. They spent their youth in Ecuador as "missionary kids" and had known many of the first Wao who were contacted. We accompanied them to various sites of historic significance in Wao territory. They were interested in investigating and possibly writing a book about the first Wao martyr "Tona" who was killed in 1970 taking the gospel to a yet disconnected clan of Waoroni. They had located a trove of old photos of the early years of contact with the tribe, which we shared with the people in a few communities. Many tears and much laughter followed as the people identified friends and family, some of whom have passed away and others have now grown old. Most of all, Tona's daughter, who still lives along the banks of the Curaray River where the missionaries lost their lives, was deeply moved when she saw pictures of her father for the first time.



Outhouse hole digging!

Patching a fiberglass canoe



Medical checkup for grandfather "Kimo"



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Treating a stingray wound

For a few years now, we have been receiving a group from "Expeditions Unlimited," located in Wisconsin. It is a 9-month gap-year program for young adults. This year's group was excellent, and we had a great experience for four days in Wao territory. It is always a blessing to see God open up young people's awareness to a world so apart from their own, and in some cases inspire new ideas for their futures. We took supplies to two communities and helped one community build a much-needed outhouse. As always, we received much more from the people than we could ever hope to give.

We are planning to be in the States this summer and are hoping to visit as many of you as possible!

May the Lord bless and keep you,

- Cris, Daniela, Cristopher & Emma



Christopher working hard!



Hike over the ridge with group



Our friend Jon with Tonya's wife and daughter



Emma with a jungle friend

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