



SERVING ALL

Another year begins, by God's grace, renewing our call to serve and bring the gospel to every soul and home in the communities where we are living in Mabaruma, Guyana.

We just returned to Mabaruma with a large wooden box full of donations, including clothes, children's shoes, slippers, and evangelistic materials. A generous and kind lady named Bebe, who supports AWA as a donor, called on her church there on the Island of Kauai in Hawaii to donate, and then personally brought the items. She came to see the project in action. It was super exciting sharing clothes, seeing the smiles and gratitude on the faces of each person who received a gift, and seeing that it was what they

needed. With that, we were able to get in touch with more people and invite them to come to church the following Saturday.

Saturday came, and the church was full. Many who felt grateful for the gifts came to say thank you and were surprised with a wonderful lunch prepared by Sister Bebe with typical Guyanese foods. Right after the service, to socialize and create bonds of friendship, we had lunch together. It was a moment of great joy and gratitude, where we shared the bread and the word of God with our brothers and sisters in Christ. We also took the opportunity to learn more about each person's stories, dreams, and needs and pray for them.



One family, in particular, came to us to tell us the sad news that they had lost their loved one less than two weeks ago. He had already been fighting cancer for a few years. He left behind his wife, sons and daughters, grandchildren, his father-in-law and mother-in-law, who lived together, and his elderly father, who lived nearby.

The family's father, who told us, is our friend and we visit him weekly. This time, he was very downcast, sad, and suffering a lot with the death of his son. He reminded us that he lost his wife less than two years ago, and he had not received a visit except ours. He felt forgotten by people and even the church he attended for a long time. We comforted him with the Word of God by making ourselves available and continuing to visit him every week.

When sharing food, giving water, welcoming, distributing donated clothing, and visiting each person, Jesus' words in Matthew 25:35-36, 40 once again echo in our hearts.

'For I was hungry, and you gave me food; I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink; I was a stranger, and you welcomed me; I needed clothes, and you clothed me; I was sick, and you took care of me; I was in prison, and you visited me...'The King will answer: "I tell you the truth: What you did to one of the least of my brothers, you did to me"'

We feel we are being instruments of God, serving others by bringing comfort and hope to those who suffer, showing that they are not alone. We are grateful to God for allowing us to serve in Guyana, and we thank everyone who supports the AWA mission, whether with prayers or donations.

Thank you very much for following this project and for your prayers and donations!

God bless you!

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