

# Brazil Ministry August 2025

**Team Leader:** Ernie Kashima

**Dates:** Aug 21 – Sep 2, 2025

**Place:** Amazon River, Brazil

**Cost:** Estimated \$4500 per person

*(Participants contribute 50% of the estimated cost, with the remaining amount to be fundraised by the team)*



**Jerry Hranka** is a long-term missionary with Paz International who was managing the administration office for the Mission. He has recently transitioned into a new role during this past year, coordinating some specific projects within the Mission. During Jerry's time in Brazil, Willingdon has been sending short term teams on a regular basis to assist the Mission and we have seen the Lord use these teams in significant ways. A few Willingdon young adults who were recent team members are now actively discerning a more long-term

commitment to engaging in Brazil with Paz International. The Mission has invited us to send another short-term team next Feb 2025, to help build a church somewhere along the Amazon River basin.

The purpose of the trip is to enhance and accelerate the ministry of local believers and PAZ International staff as they reach out to these small villages along the Amazon Basin.

Tasks will include construction work, home visitations, participating in outreach services, sharing testimonies and the possible participation in associated PAZ International ministries such as Dental, Children's, medical, and woman's ministries.

This is one of our more rugged trips as the team may be living on a boat or in a remote village in the jungle. Team members will sleep in hammocks, eat wonderful Brazilian food (lots of beans and rice) and experience local culture and fellowship.



Team members should have the gifts of service, helps and/or encouragement. Practical construction experience is an asset but not required. There must be a willingness to do physical work under the leadership of local Brazilians. Team members must be able to work extended hours doing ministry. Team members will experience long flights and travel by boat to the village. Team members will be sleeping in hammocks and eating local cuisine while on the Project Amazon Boat.

Proposed Itinerary (subject to flight availability and pricing – the same for Sep 2025):

Aug 21 Depart from Vancouver

Aug 23 Arrive Santarem

Aug 24 Depart Santarem via Project Amazon Boat to village

Aug 25 – Aug 29 at village

Aug 30 Arrive Santarem

Sep 01 Depart for Santarem

Sep 2 Arrive Vancouver

Typical Ministry Day at Village

7:00 am Devotions

7:30 am Breakfast

8:00 am-12:00 pm Ministry

12:00 – 2:00 pm Lunch

2:00 to 7:00 pm Ministry

7:00-8:00 pm Supper

8:00 – 10:00 pm Ministry.

Application Process

Completion of require training for the trip.

Completion of an Application Form and the Team Member Commitment and Disclosure Form.

Medical Clearance from Medical Health Professional prior to Interview.

**Interview by STM Pastor during the month of May – June 2025.**

Vaccinations and Visa (personal expense) - Any questions contact [rheyn@willingdon.org](mailto:rheyn@willingdon.org)