

ECUADOR TRIP 2015

REPORT AND PHOTOS FROM THE TRIP TO ECUADOR IN SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2015

Hi there, We trust you are doing well. We just returned from our 8 week trip to Shell, Ecuador and wanted to give you a short report of our time there. It was our first time to visit South America and a privilege to be involved in helping at a Recordist Training Course. We were so pleased yet nervous about been asked to assist. "God takes us as we are and enables us to do what He calls us to do.

All He asks from us is to follow His plans. He will sort out the rest and in His mighty hands, we can be a blessing to others". The course was in Spanish for trainees from Ecuador, Brazil, Columbia and the USA. All the trainees did really well and were so keen to learn the skills of a field recordist. The staff in the GRN office led by Gustavo and Ines were so hospitable to us during our time there and it was a delight to spend time with them.

We were based in Shell which is a small town right on the edge of the jungle. Many different people and language groups live here. During our time there we visited the missionary house/museum of the five missionaries who were killed here in the mid 1950s reaching out to a tribe. This whole incident eventually led to this tribe becoming peaceful and



churches started after that. Visit... <http://justus.anglican.org/resources/bio/74.html>

We also visited the MAF base here in Shell and they have over 70 groups that they service in the jungle all contactable by special radios. If they have sick people or problem pregnancies etc., they fly in and pick them up and take them to hospital or provide them with medical help.

There are many other commercial airplanes supplying the needs of the people living in the jungle.



There are many different indigenous groups living in this region. The Quichua tribal people are very distinctive in their dress and many of the men have long pony tails. They have small stalls set up everywhere selling crafts, fruit and everything else you can name. Many work in the mining industry and related industries. Some work at making charcoal. Petrol is very cheap here and costs about 80 pence a gallon.....Wow!

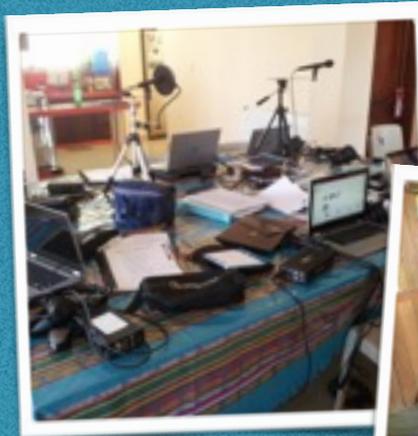
Some rivers are crossed by foot bridges and zip wires and everything including whole families and even animals are transported on the zip wires. This saves driving maybe 20 miles to the nearest road bridge. I got my first chance to go solo on a zip wire over a wide river and valley and beside a beautiful waterfall. I laughed and shouted yippee the whole way...fantastic.

Our main aim at the course was to train new recordists who will be working in these S. American countries, recording the many language groups who have never been reached yet with the "Good News". Please pray for these trainees as they travel into many dangerous regions and that the Lord will bless their work.

Without your prayers and financial support we can do very little. We feel helping to train more recordists will multiply the work of GRN around the world. Thank you for your prayers and financial support to enable us to travel and help at this

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training course. If you would like to consider supporting more of our projects and training programs please let me know. Thank you to all of you who already give so generously. God Bless you and bye for now.

Kenny and Joan McKee.

