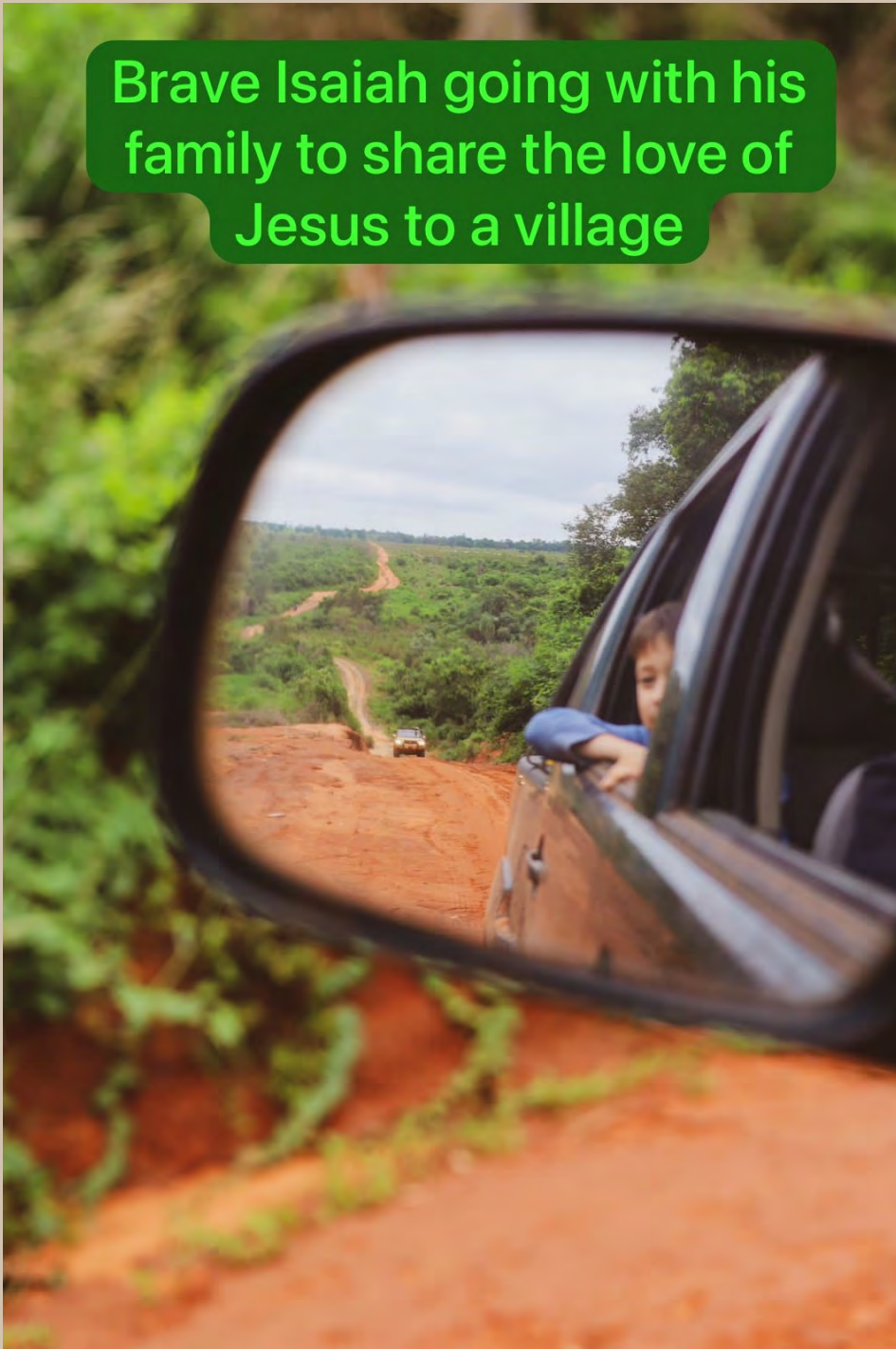


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# Be With

Loewen Newsletter #3

Brave Isaiah going with his family to share the love of Jesus to a village





Merry Christmas and Happy New Years! For those who read this and follow us, we would love it if you would **respond to this email with one picture that was a highlight of your year.** What made you smile? What are you grateful for?

## Us

We had planned a long newsletter to share many things but instead will keep it short and to the point (for those who do want to hear more details we always have time for a call 📞 😊). We may do a blog post sharing some cool stories soon.

Being completely honest, our last few weeks have been very difficult. Numerous things seemed to happen all at once and we are still recovering. We can know God is in control but that doesn't make it easy 😊

We covet your prayers for our marriage, our children, and that we would listen intently for what God wants us to do in the coming year.

Since our last update in October, we - like all of you - have experienced sadness, joy, discouragement, excitement, loneliness, gratitude, and many others feelings.

We have seen God do really amazing things (like the recently converted ex-witch doctor who greeted me by name even though I was a stranger).

He's moving at the school and many students hearts are being drawn to Him. On the last night of camp, the Holy Spirit came and filled the room with joy. Many students were hugging each other and crying.

But we are also experiencing frustration at the differences in culture. Also in struggling through the language barrier, parenting 3 kids and the intense heat, among other things.

**But through all of these moments we feel God is with us, that he wants us here, and this produces a peculiar joy and peace, "not as the world gives".**

We've made some really great friends and memories and wish we could tell you about all of them, but that's not possible. So the best we can do is share some pictures below and invite you to join our [WhatsApp group chat](#) (which is typically where we share more detailed stories 😊).

We don't know what 2024 holds for us but what we do know is Gods Kingdom will advance and we, with all our hearts, want to be apart of it.

We also know that God doesn't want us to go it alone. So if you feel led to join our team in any capacity, we would be thrilled to have you 😊👉

The familiarity of our life in Washington is always just a thought away and when things are hard, it can be tempting to fantasize about going back to it. But, we are striving to be obedient to The One who gave his life for us and continues to pour joy into our hearts.

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## Giving

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**One time need:**

- \$750 - Kimberly language learning through [Berlitz](#)
- \$5,000 - Plane tickets to visit Washington, June 2024

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## Pictures



Celebrating Amelia's 4th Birthday



Walking the streets of Brazil





Making friends everywhere they go



Teachers versus students tug of war at ACA



Thanksgiving 🍁





4x4 is a must!



Francisco, the ex witch doctor who knew Sam's name before we came



Mudding- Paraguayan style!





Refuel youth group! 2 students have come up to us saying that God answered their prayer: to feel Him again and alive inside - they feel this when they come and worship at refuel.



***“Your name, O God, like your praise, reaches to the ends of the earth. Your right hand is filled with victory.”***

***~Psalm 48:10~***

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