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Dear Friends,

This past January, four CampsAbroad teams dispersed throughout the world. Two teams traveled to new fields while the other two returned to work with camps previously assisted by CampsAbroad.

**Return Trips:**

Two program men from THE WILDS, Matt Herbster and Matt Taylor, managed to stretch travel time from two days to four on their way over to Papua New Guinea. In spite of losing two days of staff training, the staff rallied and did a great job once again. Our main goal of turning the camp program over to the national men this year was basically accomplished. Along the way, though, a lot of fruitful ministry took place, including the first young adult retreat at Camp Gary and the salvation of around 30 teenagers. After the CampsAbroad team left, the staff ran a successful week of junior camp on their own. One of the main highlights of the trip had to be Matt Herbster playing an electric guitar in Funtime. (There is an explanation—there are also pictures: for a price!)



Tim Meals and Doug Gorsline returned to Brazil for the second year in a row. They were able to work closely with Valdimara once again, turning over the bulk of the program responsibilities to him as the week progressed. In spite of constant rain, the Lord worked in lives and several young people trusted Christ. Six others surrendered for fulltime Christian ministry.

**New Fields:**

Matt Collier, Dan Brooks, and Andy Dalporto spent two weeks in Paraguay at Camp Cabaju, holding a week of staff training and assisting with a week of teen camp. We saw clearly how the work of God cuts across the grain of culture – especially in flesh-driven South America. Many young people left camp harboring sin, but they heard the truth clearly presented with love. It was a blessing to be with missionaries and nationals who really want to see the young people of Paraguay impacted for eternity. Camp Cabaju certainly has much to contribute towards that worthy desire.



Dr. Ken Hay, founder of THE WILDS, visited Haiti to meet with the leadership of a fundamental group called Missions to Haiti. Even though camp construction will not begin for a few years, they were able to discuss plans of when, where, and how it will eventually take place. A strong foundation of solid churches and strong national leadership is in place and, we hope to assist them as plans proceed.

Thank you so much for your interest in and your prayers for CampsAbroad. The Lord continues to be gracious in using this ministry for His glory.

In Christ,

Matt Collier  
Director, CampsAbroad