

BUILDING COMMUNITIES

Community Bread Making, Brazil

Providing food and creating employment for the community of Maria Ribeira

‘The Project will help community cohesion and improve the quality of life for those in the community. It will also provide a source of income and training for participants.’

– Ruth de Barros, USPG Mission Companion, Diocese of the Amazon



Brazil factfile

Capital: Brasília

Languages: Portuguese (official), Spanish (border areas and schools), German, Italian, Japanese, English and a large number of Amerindian languages

Religion: Christianity, indigenous beliefs

Export: Coffee, soya beans, wheat, rice, corn, sugar cane, cocoa, beef

Further reading:

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brazil>

USPG in Brazil

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Man with fish caught on the Amazon River near Maria Ribeira, a quilombo (ex-slave settlement) in Brazil

About this Project...

▶ **Target: £1,400 / €1,612 | Project 473**

Children from the small remote community of Maria Ribeira, deep in the heart of the Amazon, have to take a two-hour boat journey to the nearest town – Gurupá – to attend school.

The school in Gurupá provides lunches, but they are expensive. After paying school fees lunch is an added cost so those who cannot afford it go without.

With the help of USPG, the people in Maria Ribeira will set up a community bakery that will make free lunches for school children. The bakery will also provide members of the community with a

job and a small income.

People in Maria Ribeira have always lived off the cultivation of the land, so the bakery will also provide cassava producers and fruit pickers with income, as the bakery will purchase goods directly from them.

For those who would normally leave the village to go in search of a job this bakery Project is a positive encouragement to stay and help build their community.

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