

# SARAH GOODMAN

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Dear Pastor,

Thank you for taking the time to review my information. I am excited to share my calling and burden for the Amazon River Basin of Brazil. The Lord is using many missionaries throughout the large country of Brazil, but very few are actively serving in this particular region. The northwestern state of Amazonas is the largest region of Brazil in land size and it contains the *Vale do Javari*, the largest region of uncontacted, indigenous people in the world.

As a BIMl missionary and registered nurse, the Lord has called and equipped me to use the tool of medicine to assist local, national pastors and missionary families to reach these isolated villages. Many are "closed" to the Gospel and only allow visitors by invitation. Using mobile medical clinics as an evangelistic tool, national pastors and missionaries have been able to plant over 8 churches in villages that were otherwise resistant to the Gospel. Villages that have a church today have often been the recipient of a mobile medical clinic in years past.

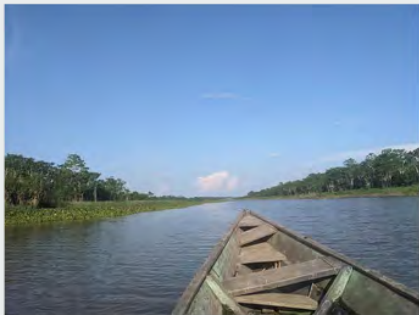
**Partnering with local missionary families, the following are the ministerial goals the Lord has given me:**

- Assist national pastors and local, serving missionary families, both in established ministries as well as new local, New Testament church plants in remote villages
- Provide medical care during the mobile medical clinic outreaches in Amazonian villages
- Serve and disciple in children's and woman's ministries
- School evangelism
- Personal, soul-winning outreach



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## *Personal Testimony*

Raised in a Christian home, I accepted the Lord as a young girl at Mt. Zion Baptist Camp in Viola, California. The following year at that same camp, God began working on my heart as I listened eagerly to missionary stories every morning. This desire followed me home where I eventually began telling missionary stories of my own to the children's classes of my home church.

As a young teenager, the Lord began growing an additional passion for the medical field. I began seriously considering how God could use both of these desires together to reach fields that were particularly challenging, both in physical health as well as spiritual. Although uncertain of God's full plan, I attended Bible college and later graduated from nursing school in 2020.

During my first mission trip to the *Vale do Javari* (Amazon River Basin) with a BIMl medical-evangelism team, God cemented His will in my heart as I saw the value of using medical care to soften the hearts of the small river villages and tribes that were otherwise resistant to the Gospel. With personal experience and a passion for both medical and spiritual care, I am called to return to Brazil's Amazon River Basin and assist church planters in continuing the mission of the Great Physician.

- Year of Salvation: August 2003
- Education: Golden State Baptist College, Santa Clara, CA
- Maxine S. Jacob's Nursing Program, Registered Nurse, 3/2020
- BIMl Board of Trustees' Acceptance: June 2022
- Missionary Number: #1661





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## *Doctrinal Statement*

### **God**

God is a triune Being with three separate, distinct Persons in One (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Matthew 28:19) He is a perfect, eternal being with distinct attributes: omniscient, omnipresent, and omnipotent (Isaiah 40:28-31).

### **Bible**

The Bible is the inerrant, infallible, plenary-inspired Word of God. It is complete and forever-enduring as the authority for life and serves as God's communication to man. (II Timothy 3:16; I Peter 1:25) The KJV serves as the translation for the English speaker and the ACF for Portuguese.

### **Creation**

All things were created by God and endure by His power and sustenance. The Lord spoke creation into existence and man and woman were created in His image for fellowship and His glory. (Genesis 1-2; Genesis 8:22)

### **Salvation**

Through his sin, man separated himself from fellowship with God. Through faith in the completed work of Christ on the cross, we receive the free gift of Salvation; once received, the believer is eternally secure. God extends this gift to all. (Romans 6:23; John 1:12)

### **Baptism**

Baptism does not provide Salvation, but rather, serves as a visual testimony of the believer's new relationship with Christ. It is completed after accepting the Lord as Saviour. (Romans 6:3-8)

### **Church**

The local, independent New Testament church serves as God's tool for ministry and represents the Body of Christ. The chief goal of this assembly is the fulfillment of the Great Commission (I Corinthians 12:12-27).





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April 28, 2023

Dear Pastor:

It is with great pleasure to recommend to you Sarah Goodman. She is on her way to the Amazon River Basin in Brazil and will be working with a church planting team to spread the gospel. She will be using her medical knowledge and nursing skills to reach people with their physical needs with a goal of reaching their greater spiritual need.

I am quite aware of how much information passes through your hands but this is not something to brush aside. I must say that with this material, you have a gold mine in your hand. This young lady is a priceless gem and our church body absolutely adores her. She is determined to get to the field, devoted to her Savior and a delight to be around. Sarah has a passion for souls and will be a wonderful addition to your roster of missionaries.

As her sending pastor, I would ask you to prayerfully consider support for Sarah. If you have any questions, I am a phone call away. Feel free to reach me at 239.671.2752 or via email: [j.boutchia@calbaptist.net](mailto:j.boutchia@calbaptist.net).

Your friend for the cause of missions,

John M. Boutchia III  
Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church  
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To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure in writing to whole-heartedly recommend Sarah Goodman as a missionary to the Amazon Basin in Brazil. God has burdened her heart to reach the people of the Amazon with the Gospel and to work with a church plant team in this vast country.

Sarah has extensive on-the-field training while serving in her church in the United States and traveling with several mission teams in the Amazon Basin. She has furthered her training through Bible college and Nursing School to more effectively reach the remote villages where medicine opens the door to present the Gospel.

In a world where hearts are hardened and laborers are few, it is encouraging to find a servant with a sensitive spirit and a desire to follow the Lord. These are exactly the traits I see in Sarah. She has been a blessing wherever she has served and has captured the hearts of the people. **All of these qualities make Ms. Goodman one of the best missionaries to support.**

As her Field Director, I ask you to graciously consider adding her to your missions family and partner with her to serve the Lord on this needed field. Please do not hesitate to call me if you have any questions concerning this missionary.

Your servant in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sean Lunday". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Dear Pastor,

I am thrilled to be able to recommend Ms. Sarah Goodman as worthy of your consideration for support as a medical missionary. I have witnessed the great potential of medical missions as an evangelistic tool first hand as a church planting missionary in South America. When partnered with a local church ministry, medical missions can greatly accelerate the work of the Great Commission. While reflecting the love of the Saviour, medical missions helps open doors through building trust and providing contacts that otherwise would take great time and work to establish. Ms. Goodman is called and qualified to serve in the unique capacity of a medical missionary. I have witnessed her passion for meeting the spiritual and physical needs of people on the mission field. I anticipate great things to be accomplished for God through her ministry. As a church planter I would view any investment in Ms. Goodman's ministry as a worthy contribution to the work of missions!

In Christ,

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