



The construction of our new temple asks for a new time. A Time of spiritual and material improvement of our brother and sisterhood, institutions and communities. Time to value our communal approach and its sustainability. Time to mature our

opinions and procedures, preparing the individual and collective journey toward a new era, a new dimension, in connection with Padrinho Sebastião's prophecy: "New time, new people, new system".



2020: CENTENARY AND MORE

On October 7, 2020, Padrinho Sebastião would celebrate his one hundredth birthday. Great reason to celebrate! The year 2020 is full of special celebrations. Besides the planned inauguration of the new temple (first the roof and floor, then the final touches), we have the 70th birthday of Padrinho Alfredo, the 95th of Madrinha Rita and much more. **Page 12.**

AMVCM APPOINTS A NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Association of Residents of Vila Céu do Mapiá - AMVCM - elected a new board of directors in December 2018, with more than 40 members. Among the challenges, faced with union and participation of the members and community: the schedule of events in 2020, administrative sustainability, the Village Master Plan, and sustainable community development. **Page 8.**

AMAGAIA PROGRAM: COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY SUPPORT IN MAPIÁ

With the support of ICEFLU, through the Nova Era Institute and AmaGaia Program, and with the intense participation of local institutions and groups, residents and the irmandade, numerous community sustainability projects are being undertaken in Céu do Mapiá. **Page 13.**

EDITORIAL

OUR DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT

This is the 11th edition of our Jornal do Céu. With the support of several institutions, groups, and friends, we are growing and improving Mapiá's traditional vehicle of communication. In times of great challenges, but also of prosperity, breaking the good news shows us that we are on the right path. We have God and our spiritual and material guides, and we can count on a vibrant current of the whole irmandade sustaining us, encouraging positive actions and the well-being of all. This edition arrives once again to give proof. Included here are 20 pages of good news, positive topics, and great achievements. We begin with the words of our president Padrinho Alfredo, next with the actions of the current board of AMVCM, and the plans for the 2020 celebrations, culminating in Padrinho Sebastião's Centennial. We also have the community projects under development supported by the Nova Era Institute, such as the construction of our new temple and its expected inauguration next year, and the AmaGaia Program, which is consolidated with the participation of the residents and institutions of the Village. Therefore, more than ever, it is time to be united, working for our ideals and in the vibration of better times for us and for all humanity. We would like once again to thank everyone who collaborates with Jornal do Céu, our padrinhos and madrinhas, our journal team, and especially our readers. We invite the churches to print copies and distribute them locally, remembering that this newspaper is available on our sites santodaime.org, iceflu.org and vilaceudomapia.org. Happy reading!



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Aerial view of Vila Céu do Mapiá.



Padrinho Alfredo, Madrinha Rita and Padrinho Valdete.

THE WORDS OF PADRINHO ALFREDO OUR PRESIDENT

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS, AT THIS MOMENT, WE ARE PLEASED TO ELEVATE OUR THOUGHTS TO GOD, OUR CREATOR, FATHER OF OUR DOCTRINE, TO THE VIRGIN OF THE CONCEPTION, MOTHER OF OUR DOCTRINE, AND TO ALL BEINGS WHO ARE ALWAYS IN OUR PRAISES.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE CHURCH - We thank all for the good progress of the construction of our church. Along with a small group from Céu do Mapiá, and with the support of the whole community, we performed an initial part of the construction of the church structure. We are grateful for the union of our irmandade, which enables us, throughout this period, with all the difficulties of living far as we live, the happiness of this achievement. We thank our irmandade for its support in the campaign to continue the construction of our church. I am here to thank all brothers and sisters who have joined us and are working together with me, in this campaign in the year 2019. Thank for all the effort made to take the material to the construction site. I would like to thank all those who helped building the path from Fazenda São Sebastião to Mapiá in order to transport more than 100 tons of iron to our construction site, with all difficulty and hard work. I am very grateful to everyone who is contributing, to all who wishes to see

our church ready, therefore demonstrating the value and strength of our union, and capacity. We hope that, by the end of 2019, the church will be with its roof to host our people, the people of Padrinho Sebastião Church, in the year of the Centenary.

YEAR OF THE CENTENNIAL - I also want to remind that the centennial of Padrinho Sebastião is near. I have been telling to the irmandade from all churches around Brazil and the world about the year of the Centenary, 2020, year of many festivities. We hope to inaugurate our church on January 7th, in my 70th birthday. We invite the whole irmandade to join us in all the 2020 celebrations inside the forest in Céu do Mapiá. Many people are preparing to go to the Centennial in October, but I remind that we will have a calendar full of events and festivities beginning with the 70 years of Padrinho Alfredo in January, the 95th years of Madrinha Rita together with June Festival, and many other spiritual works and activities all over 2020, ending with December Festival. Madrinha Rita and her family are counting on the presence of the whole irmandade in Mapiá during 2020 to participate in all these great festivities. May we have the joy of hosting all our brothers and sisters from all churches and countries. I have been talking to many church groups and directories, and I want

to reinforce here, to organize, so that at least one member of each church can be at the Centennial or participate during the year 2020. So, I hope this call is powerful enough to strength everyone's understanding about the importance of being part of this great moment.

MASTER PLAN - I give all my support the Master Plan. I want to congratulate for all the good work that is being done in Mapiá, to thank everyone who is working with us in this movement. I believe it is a very important and good work, and we are going to do even more good things: projects and improvements in our community and irmandade, improvements in our legality and documentation of our material and spiritual work, legalization of our church so we can have a doctrine and be a doctrine, and be a religious people, faithful to our doctrine.

GRATITUDE TO OUR CHURCH BRANCHES

I also want to thank all our branches in Brazil and abroad. All the places we visited recently helped us, and our help was also very well received. We are very pleased with the support of each church. And also realizing that all those churches need help, material and spiritual, in the sense of the unification of the people of Padrinho Sebastião. In the sense of uniting and integrating the irmandade, which is the harvest of Padrinho Sebastião, in the expansion of Padrinho Alfredo and Madrinha Rita, where our positive and religious energy can reach. We thank the whole irmandade for the love, understanding, respect, and all support. And we hope that this positive energy continues vibrating from where all the comitivas go, in order to integrate and reinforce the irmandade of Padrinho Sebastião, guided by Madrinha Rita and Padrinho Alfredo. May we be united and able to expand our doctrine.

JORNAL DO CÉU - I bless the organization and production of Jornal do Céu, a special newspaper that shows our development and good administration. It's the good news newspaper! I hope that everybody enjoys reading, and feels the positive energy and gratitude for being a part of this irmandade.

A hug to everyone!

THE CLOCKWORK OF THE NIGHT AUTUMN, ABUNDANT RAIN

Six o'clock in the afternoon, a spectacle on the big screen of the heavens. Full moon accompanied by the constellation Virgo. The Southern Cross is lying on its right side. The Earth turns, and during the night the Cross rises to a standing position. By the end of the night lays back down again, now on its other side. The constellation Taurus travels together with the "Clockwork of the Night" - an expression of Padrinho Alfredo referring to the astronomy so admired by Padrinho Sebastião. Abundant rains maintain rivers and igarapés full of water. Heavy canoes with construction materials, around twenty of them, intersect fast boats in the curves of igarapé, with no accidents because of our pilots' careful navigation and the ever-divine protection. Already more than 500 tons of materials are at the construction site and 100 tons in the port at Fazenda São Sebastião. Ripe fruits in the forest and backyards; animals of the forest eat their fill and celebrate. Grain harvests, good time for vegetable gardens, this is the arrival of Autumn.

On the Day of the Waters, the Residents' Association and the Cruzeiro do Céu School is mobilized. They spread Efficient Microorganisms (EM) in the ditches and ponds, helping to prevent malaria, dengue and other health hazards. Students and residents already use EM in gardens, agriculture, domestic cleaning.

Institutions organize their boards of directors, their groups, plans and projects. COOPERAR, ICEFLU, IDARIS, AM-VCM. Now, with statutes and approved divisions, we are a Church in fact and in law. ISAVIÇOSA and AmaGaia support projects. Important steps are taken to build the Master Plan of the Village. The team is already practicing the techniques of nonviolent communication - NVC; Felipe Alcure and Henrique facilitate conflict resolution and restorative justice, reinforcing the work of the Ethical Council. Spiritual works happening in Santa Casa, under its well-built straw roof. In the Star House, the Casa de Música Madrinha Júlia, and the Terreirinhos: old lessons of Padrinho Sebastião. Madrinha Rita and Julia's porches: in each house, in each heart. March 9th - Roberval, Salomão and Glauco's birthday. Roberval on guitar playing the birthday tunes. Imagine a very well-sung and well-cadenced birthday celebration. Congratulations Roberval on your joy and vigor.

Meu pai eterno mande a trovoadas, avisa a chegada do nosso Senhor - "My eternal father send the thunder, signal the arrival of our master." In the Concentration of the 15th, Madrinha Júlia speaks at length of her 40 years of dedication. Glauco's hinário Chaveirinho sung under heavy rains, lightning and thunder. After, delicious soup. At the same time, a concentration at Madrinha Rita's house amplifies the current.

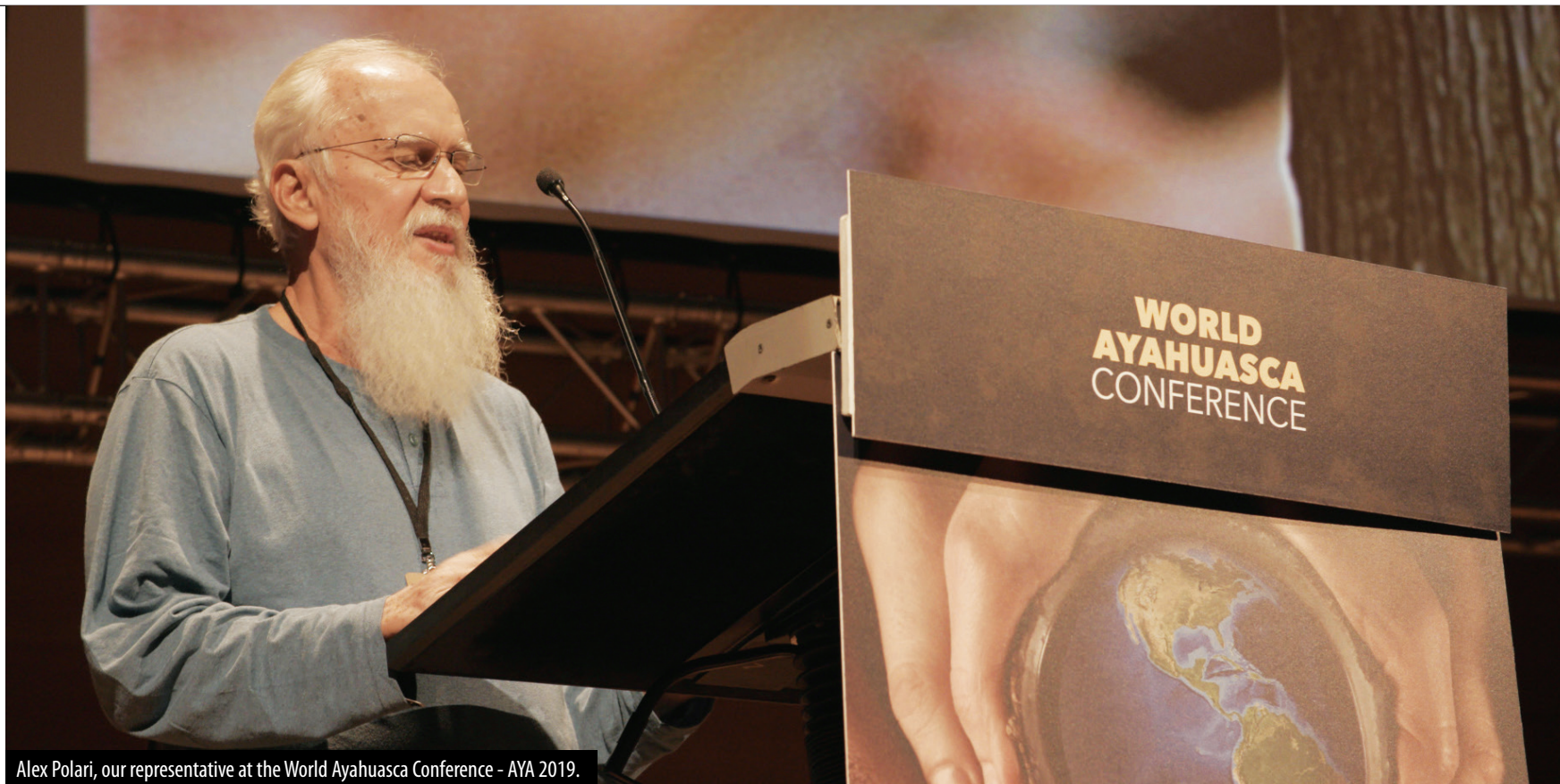
Madrinha Rita spreads happiness. She receives everyone with love. She advises tolerance with others, encourages happiness for good health and gratitude for suffering. Lucid, she remembers all, everything is stored in her mind, every church, every godson and goddaughter. Back from her trip, with baths in the ocean and her daughters' and grandchildren's care, she missed her people of the forest, the spiritual works on her balcony, her gardens, her place. Lots of light, love and attention for us and our Madrinha.

Padrinho Alfredo returns from Juruá and heads directly for his mother's embrace. He spends days telling her what happens in our irmandade and its development. Padrinho takes part in meetings related to Church matters, and other institutions such as IDARIS, COOPERAR and the Residents' Association; he is the consultant to them all. He welcomes his godsons and goddaughters, and still has time to take care of the rice harvest in his field.

Padrinho Valdete with good health is present in all the spiritual works demonstrating joy, enthusiasm, firmness and security. "É preciso ter amor..."

João Paz
The spaceship





Alex Polari, our representative at the World Ayahuasca Conference - AYA 2019.

AYA 2019

III AYAHUASCA WORLD CONFERENCE

BY ALEX POLARI DE ALVERGA

From May 31st to June 2nd, the Third World Conference of Ayahuasca - AYA 2019 was held in Girona, Spain, with the presence of more than 1500 participants. I had the honor to be invited to give a speech on the theme "Ayahuasca, Spirituality and community life". In the lecture, I discussed the importance that the Ayahuasca / Santo Daime has awakened throughout the world, both in spiritual terms and also in research and studies on human consciousness. I highlighted its role as a true shortcut, capable of shortening time, so that the spiritual seekers of all lines can make this transformation of consciousness still in time to save our planet, at a period when our civilization is undergoing a crisis of great proportions, capable of destroying it, and thereby threatening the continuity of the human species.

I spoke of the importance of the Santo Daime as a "glue" and a spiritual axis capable of enabling spiritual communities, an important economic, social and spiritual alternative to the current system. I paid tribute to the native peoples, great guardians of this spiritual treasure since ancient times. I also had the opportunity to make a beautiful presentation of photos in the main auditorium, talking about the story of Daime, Mestre Irineu and especially about the work of Padrinho Sebastião, and his dream of community; and a little of his history since the times from Colônia Cinco Mil, through the Rio do Ouro to Mapiá and the work of the new Church of the Forest.

A highlight was the enormous diversity of the ayahuasqueiro movement in the present time. It is amazing to see the presence of so many groups, indigenous ethnicities, healing centers, shamans, scientific researchers, therapists and seekers in general. It was a mosaic of nationalities, languages, colors, traditional costumes, all in a great spirit of celebration and joy. Another important fact was the institutional presence of ICEFLU, IDARIS and Nova Era Institute. Our booth, full of information, books, explanatory texts, videos and products, was one of the most visited and by AYA 2019 participants. Our team: Gabriel Mhereb, Vera Fróes, Ana Carolina Simas (Cacá), Alexandre Rodrigues (Xexéu) and Iberê Périssé helped create a climate of great harmony and good dialogue with all who stopped by. During those three intense days of lectures, round tables and ceremonies, the potential of this ayahuasca movement became clear to me. With no doubt, it will grow more and more, forcing us to affirm each day more our spiritual identity to build the much-needed future bridges between religion, science and society. Nowadays, there is also a great need to unite all the daimistas and ayahuasca currents to fight for their common rights and interests, as well as to support our indigenous brothers and sisters in the struggle for preservation and demarcation of their land, language, customs and culture. It is no wonder that the motto of the Conference was: "World Conference of Ayahuasca 2019, an inner search for a better world".

REFLECTING UPON OUR HISTORY



A pause... A moment of reflection to follow a thread that shows us the power and beauty of a revelation, which produces a new form of reconnection with the Divine. Unconsciously, but naturally, based on practices of the ancient Ayahuasqueira tradition of the Amazon, European esoterism and African mysticism, Mestre & Padrinho Irineu Serra materialize an inspiration that synthesizes in yellow-green colors a new door to the knowledge of human religiosity. This inspiration, born alone in the middle of the forest, generates an intention to reach the whole world, generates an action that leaves the forest somber and installs itself in a small and internalized territory. The action becomes a movement, it generates adherents and correlates and establishes a tendency.

Time for leaderships to appear, individuals to lead groups and create institutions that are strengthening their path and affirming solid platforms that produce the thunderous impulse that crosses borders. Time to focus and appreciate the genius of Sebastião Mota, who knew

how to navigate the path and consolidate it, even though walked by so many different feet; from the top of Alto Santo hill, he rang his bugle that resonated in Irineu but with characteristics of a caboclo raised in the forest, with harmonious senses and with the culture of a new Man who was being recreated.

As a leader, Padrinho, and Master, Sebastião was able to unite his polyvalent and multifaceted group. He formed the first CEFLURIS in Acre, surrounding himself with simple but firmly-intentioned people, like Manoel Corrente, Mário Rogério and Reinaldo Bento, CEFLURIS's first President. He gathered farmers, youth from the countryside, hippies and a few professionals. He understood that without legality his vision would not have a solid foundation! He navigated within the paradox of taking his people into the Forest, but lining up his godchildren and allies in the great urban centers. Before the 1990s, CEFLURIS / AC modernized itself as a national center. Céu do Mar, Céu da Montanha in Rio de Janeiro state, Flor das Águas and Flor da Luz in São Paulo State, Céu do Planalto in the National Capital, and Céu do Monte and Flor de Jagube in Minas Gerais, were doors and open portals that carefully avoided the temptation promoted in the media to be the new drug of the summer. Instead, they affirmed a new, alternative but organized religiosity, creating norms and disciplines that engendered a consistent order so that every member had his worthy and respected place.

The Sacrament, an immaterial patrimony, generated an economy of solidarity that standardized all from professionals to simple workers as brothers and sisters. In this manner, everyone was associated with something that could not be translated into money, but needed this solidity to cross the borders and give the security of the true and immaterial intention of approaching the Divine. The national meetings consolidated Céu do Mapiá as the

headquarters of our doctrine. The power of the Hymns attracted all classes and nationalities, human society was also modernized, with new technologies and new designs of bureaucracies. Religion came from the Divine and also touched nature. The region of the village became a National Forest. The love of the natural, the native, the Forest, was eternalized in its conservation, ecology was born... The third transformation... ICEFLU... The center is a Church. The headquarters are within the Forest, respected and preserved, but its fruits blossom in the midst of large cities. The brothers and sisters are citizens of a world of respect for diversity and care for those who are still to come... ICEFLU Nova Era is born... The Church of the Forest, initially built with fine wood and native craftsmen, is rebuilt with solid foundations and a modern structure suitable against the corrosion of time. Replanting ensures the expansion and preserves the seeds for the future brothers and sisters. The new fornalhas generate a production that multiplies the efficiency of utilization of the material that can be sustained perennially.

We come to the fourth transformation... The Church ceases to be solely the place of God, and becomes the habitat of a conscious man, aware of his passage and dependent on Nature. The bureaucracy no longer cares for or seeks the profitability of the material, but the progress of the Man, who cares about the present and does not devour his own future... The Nova Era that generates the Nova Dimensão! How beautiful the work of man when one's being transmutes relationships and creates a future that respects one's history, environment and culture! Thanks for your attention! And congratulations to everyone who participates in this journey. Viva Padrinho Sebastião and his family!

LUIS FERNANDO B. NOBRE
ICEFLU Editorial Council

September is the 20th anniversary of the Santa Casa de Cura Padrinho Manoel Corrente. With great pride and gratitude, we thank our spiritual guides, and all the irmandade that collaborated in the construction of the roof of Santa Casa. It's very useful because all the official works are happening temporarily there, while the new church is being built. At the same time, Santa Casa maintains the usual functions, such as caring for the ill, while the health center is being renovated. It also hosts various activities related to the community's interests, such as important meetings like the ones related to community justice, youth events, group and institutions meetings, among other events. Santa Casa, today, counts with a team of collaborators who make things happen, take good care of the place and of the ones who need help. Some improvements are being made in order to host the spiritual works in Santa Casa: two "healing rooms" (for women and men) and the Daime room. We are also making an architectural

project to refurbish the Santa Casa building, and soon a fundraising campaign will be launched. The building needs to be repaired to attend demands of the community and of Padrinho Sebastião's Centennial next year. Other aspects of Santa Casa also need to be refurbished: the roof of the kitchen and the housekeeper's quarters. Another project is to build the laboratory of Kawa products - soaps, incense sticks, herbal baths, among others - a project of sustainability for Santa Casa and the women involved. Some of the financial help of Santa Casa comes from the sale of Isabel Barsés's books - "Pérolas do Eu Sou", "Serpente Azul" and "Livro da Paz". Editora Yagé has recently produced new editions of "Pérolas do Eu Sou" and "Transmutação da Humanidade". We want to thank the irmandade from Japan who helped us raise funds to build the roof of the Santa Casa, our beloved Geraldine and also CEFLURGEM. Along with all the friends of Santa Casa, and all the brothers and sisters of Céu do Mapiá, who support us and help keep alive this project of love and charity. Gratitude especially to Madrinha Rita.

CURRENT PORTRAIT OF SANTA CASA

BY CLARA IURA



AMVCM APPOINTS NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The residents of Vila Céu do Mapiá elected the new board of the Association of Residents - AMVCM, on December 5th, 2018. It was the first election contested by two groups. For the next three years, the 44 members (see chart) of the "COMUNIDADE" group stipulated a planned routine. ICEFLU, through the Nova Era Institute, is supporting the AMVCM projects which were elaborated through AmaGaia Program guidelines. AMVCM's new board has already started several work tasks. In the administrative sector, it has established a new level of financial accounting, created a financial management system and prepared the first expense report submitted to the Fiscal Council. It has also started the first steps of the Participative Master Plan of Vila Céu do Mapiá and initiated the process of transforming the village into a district. AMVCM followed the process of formalizing Mapiá as an ecovillage to join the Global Ecovillage Network (GEN). In this same period, two committees went to Pauini city hall (the county seat of the region that encompasses Mapiá) to formalize the Community's rights. The Ethical Disciplinary Council held meetings to deal with the cases recorded in the Book of Occurrences, one of them with the presence of Pauini police and another with representatives of the Federal Police and ICMBio (the Chico Mendes Biodiversity Conservation Institute). AMVCM is composed of 15 internal groups called "gestorias" (management teams) that work to promote communitarian development. They have already held various meetings and activities in various areas such as education, health, children and youth events, transportation, production, communication, reception. "Mutirões" – communal work projects - are being held in many sectors of the community.

The main objective of this work of communitarian organization is to prepare Vila Céu do Mapiá for the next decade, focusing on 2020, the centennial year of the founder of the Community - Padrinho Sebastião - and the inauguration of the new church. A challenge that will need union and participation of all. AMVCM thanks everyone who has been helping this movement.

"COMUNIDADE" GROUP – 2019-2021

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With a team of 44 members, AMVCM prepares for the challenges of sustainability, Centennial festivities and communitarian organization.



General Secretary of AMVCM with council members in Pauini.

MAPIÁ

FIGHT FOR ITS RIGHTS

AMVCM'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS VISITS THE EXECUTIVE, LEGISLATIVE AND JUDICIAL POWERS AT THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE MUNICIPALITY PAUINI TO CLAIM IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE COMMUNITY.

In February of this year AMVCM's president, João Evangelista (Vanja), was in Pauini to talk with mayor Eliana Amorim about the commitments she made during her visit to Vila Céu do Mapiá. On that occasion, the mayor promised to hire a doctor, dentist and other employees from the health center, teacher and auxiliary to the kindergarten school, two professionals for community security and two for environmental sanitation. The mayor also promised to donate a truck to the community and cables needed to install electricity in the village, as well as sporadic visits by the police, vaccination and malaria control teams. After three months, nothing was done. Therefore, the general secretary of the Association went to Pauini to make a claim for the community's rights, as the only promise realized by the mayor until that time was to hire the kindergarten's professionals.

The general secretary, Oswaldo Guimarães, also went to the City Council, together with the Mapiense assemblyman Antônio Reinaldo (Tiú), to discuss his project of the village becoming a district and also to present to the city council the demands of the village. Both also went to the electoral registry to request a visit to the village to update electoral needs of the community, increasing the registry of voters in the community, in order to have a greater voice in electing the next mayor. Another important visit was to the Rural Workers' Union - STTR, to clarify the new procedures for rural retirement/pension and to strengthen relationships. The secretary also visited the police station, where he thanked the police officer André Sergey and team for the work in Mapiá. The kindergarten teachers, Sanni and Kézia, also went to Pauini to ensure the re-employment of the school professionals and to request funds for the construction of a new building and for school supplies.

THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PARTICIPATIVE MASTER PLAN OF VILA CÉU DO MAPIÁ HAVE ALREADY STARTED

On June 1st, the Participative Master Plan of Vila Céu do Mapiá was presented during the AMVCM general assembly. The Master Plan is a very important tool for planning and establishing the future of a community. In Vila Céu do Mapiá, a broad survey will be made in order to identify the main needs, demands and challenges for the communitarian life organization so that solutions, agreements, rules and procedures can be defined. In alignment with the mission of the ecological spiritualist community of Vila Céu do Mapiá, Santo Daime's capital, the VCM Master Plan seeks to rescue and strengthen the values and principles of Mestre Irineu's Doctrine and the communitarian model of Padrinho Sebastião.

The idea and necessity of elaborating a Master Plan for Vila Céu do Mapiá began in 2000, when AMVCM, in partnership with the Brazilian branch of the World Wildlife Foundation, gathered Mapiá's population for the collective elaboration of the Community Development Plan - PDC. At that time, important results were achieved, such as the organization and strengthening of groups and sectors of the community, and the organization of the Interinstitutional Working Group, which brings together local groups and institutions, as a forum to decide issues in the community. In 2013, AmaGaia's EDE - Ecovillage Design Education course, in partnership with Gaia Education, promoted a new cycle of training and participatory planning for community sustainability. At the end of 2017, as part of ICEFLU's efforts to realize the legacy of the new Mother Church, the AmaGaia Program was launched to promote a participatory update of a plan for community sustainability and to carry out strategic projects. The Master Plan was identified as one of the priority projects and a series of meetings and training began to prepare the community and to bring solutions for its sustainability.

The project for the elaboration of the Master Plan was developed in 2018, with the participation of the Executive Director of the Global Ecovillage Network, Kosha Joubert, supported by ICEFLU through the AmaGaia Program and promoted by the Nova Era Institute. Presently, there is a management group focusing on the execution of the project, assisted by other local institutions: IDARIS, ICEFLU, Cruzeiro do Céu School, and partner institutions: Federal University of Viçosa, ISAVIÇOSA, and the Global Ecovillage Network.

The participation of all the residents is very important. The process involves all sectors, institutions and communitarian movements. There will be meetings in the neighborhoods and in the sectors, and large General Assemblies to debate about issues related to the social, economic, ecological and cultural aspect of the community. In this way, the community will participate, discuss, suggest and decide the rights and duties of the place where they live. Once approved, our Master Plan will be incorporated into the Purus National Forest Management Plan as a Management Agreement between the community and ICMBio, becoming a landmark of our community organization.



THE CHURCH OF THE FOREST WILL BE READY IN 2020

AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR 2000, PADRINHO ALFREDO DREAMED OF A NEW CHURCH OF THE FOREST, IN VILA CÉU DO MAPIÁ. A PLACE TO REPRESENT THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS WORKS TO THE DOCTRINE OF SANTO DAIME IN THE WORLD. A CHURCH TO WELCOME ALL WHO VISIT THE HEADQUARTERS FOUNDED BY PADRINHO SEBASTIÃO MOTA DE MELO.

In 2009, the dream began to come true and a long journey began. In 2011, during the week of the 'Meeting for Unity' event, which celebrated 11.11.2011, with the old church almost completely dismantled, the first candle of this new central spot was lit during a break during a spiritual work. Afterwards came the works of the White Moon, a geodesic frame in aluminum covered by a canvas that

for some years served as a shelter for the spiritual works. Since then, many brothers and sisters have contributed in many ways to the realization of this dream – the construction of the new church – that faces many challenges. One of the biggest challenges is to transport tons of equipment and materials, by land and water, to a remote region in the Amazon Forest.

THE LEGACY OF THE NEW CHURCH TO VILA CÉU DO MAPIÁ

This legacy includes restructuring of the vila, reformation of Padrinho Sebastião's tomb, improvements in the infrastructure of many places in the village, such as the General Kitchen, the Cruzeiro do Céu School, the Health Clinic, and the forest road to the Fazenda. Also included are hostels to receive visitors and remodeling and construction of some other important and necessary buildings, as well as the support of a communitarian program of sustainability, which involves many social and environmental projects.

A DREAM SHARED BY THE WHOLE BROTHERHOOD

- Church capacity - more than two thousand people
- 5,700 square meters (61,000 square feet)
- 21 meters (70 feet) high
- Professional Architectural and Art Project
- Climate control Technology for the comfort of all
- Acoustic System for Optimization of the Hinários

THE SAGA OF TRANSPORTING MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT



Ferry transports tons of iron for the construction of the church.

Transporting hundreds of tons is not a simple task. If it is in the Amazon, the task becomes more complicated. It has been a hard task to transport all the iron, cement and many other materials on the Purus river, Mapiá igarapé and the primitive road that connects Fazenda São Sebastião to Mapiá.

A complex logistic that involves several steps before the arrival at the construction site. Not to mention the unpredictable weather conditions of the region, with heavy rains and scalding sun. Challenges faced by strong and simple men, our people, to whom we give our thanks!

COMMUNITY OF BRAZIL AND THE WORLD IS CALLED TO CONTRIBUTE

Let's contribute to the construction of the Church of the Forest. Let's be part of this great dream of Padrinho Alfredo and the worldwide irmandade!

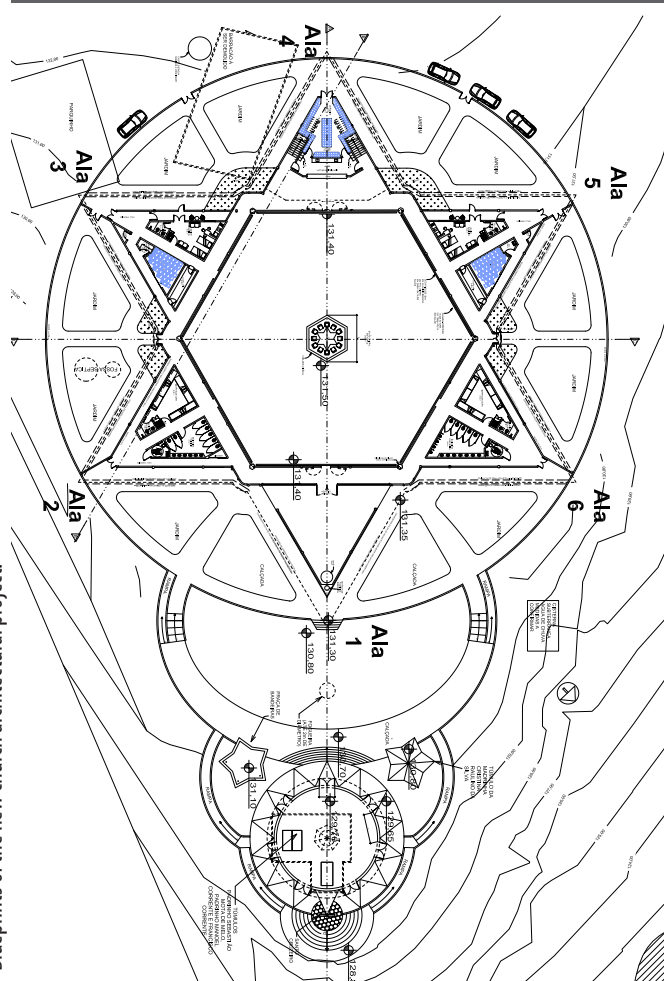
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2020 A YEAR OF FESTIVITIES

PADRINHO ALFREDO'S 75TH, MADRINHA RITA'S 95TH, AND PADRINHO SEBASTIÃO'S 100TH BIRTHDAYS - AND THE INAUGURATION OF THE NEW CHURCH

Commemorative stamp of Padrinho Sebastião Centenary.



2020 will be a year of many festivities in Vila Céu do Mapiá. On January 7th, Padrinho Alfredo turns 70; on June 25th, it will be the celebration of the 95th birthday of Madrinha Rita and on October 7th, the Centennial of Padrinho Sebastião and the inauguration of the new mother church. Also, on October 11th, Padrinho Alex Polari's 70th birthday, and the World Meeting of the churches affiliated to ICEFLU. The festivities will end with the birthdays of Padrinhos Valdete (73) and Madrinha Dodô (64) on December 7th, and the 86th birthday of Madrinha Júlia, on December 29th, and the traditional spiritual works. Many other spiritual and cultural events and activities will take place during the whole year. In order to face this great organizational challenge and host all visitors, the community has been preparing itself. During neighborhood meetings important information is being gathered and all available service are being listed (such as lodging and home services). Meanwhile, a form will be available on the site (see box on this page) as registration for those who wish to go to Mapiá. The information in the form will be essential for the local team to organize the events and their logistics. Moreover, infrastructure issues are being improved so that everyone can have a peaceful and unforgettable visit.

VISITING VILA CÉU DO MAPIÁ IN 2020 - MESSAGE TO OUR BROTHERHOOD

DEAR SISTER AND BROTHERHOOD AND FRIENDS FROM CÉU DO MAPIÁ

As many already know, in 2020, Vila Céu do Mapiá will host many commemorative events. The Church of the Eclectic Cult of the Fluent Light Universal Patron Sebastião Mota de Melo (ICEFLU) together with the Association of Residents of Vila Céu do Mapiá (AMVCM) invites everyone to participate. The websites vilaceudomapia.org, santodaime.org and iceflu.org will be publishing an application form for those who wish to attend the events.

The information on the form will allow us to organize and be ready to host everyone at the house of Padrinho Sebastião. A large number of visitors are expected, and it is essential that all

those who wish to come please fill in the registration form. Visitors will be permitted to stay in Mapiá for 30 days, and this term can be renewed twice during the same visit. In case you wish to hold a performance or promote an event during the 2020, there will also be a form available for you to fill in with specific information. We thank you all in advance for your attention and interest in being part of this great moment of our irmandade. Viva our Church! Viva Padrinho Sebastião and Madrinha Rita! Viva a nossa irmandade!!

In order to visit Mapiá in the festivities of 2020, visitors must fill out and send in advance the form which will be available on the sites vilaceudomapia.org, santodaime.org and iceflu.org.

FORMULÁRIO DE INSCRIÇÃO PARA VISITAÇÃO 2020

NOME COMPLETO: _____

DATA DE NASCIMENTO: _____ CIDADE: _____

TEL. _____ E-mail _____

IGREJA: _____ (digite a qual frequenta)

RESPONSÁVEL: _____ (digite ou Presidente da Igreja) TELEFONE DO RESP. _____

O RESPONSÁVEL ESTÁ CIENTE DE SUA VISITA AO CÉU DO MAPIÁ? SIM () NÃO ()

INFORMAÇÕES DA VIAGEM

Para podermos auxiliá-lo da melhor forma, precisamos coletar algumas informações de sua viagem. Os preços serão enviados em tabela anexa em breve

QUAL SUA FORMA DE TRANSPORTE DE RIO BRANCO A BOCA DO ACRE? _____ (digite sua opção)

1*) Ônibus 2*) taxi fretado 3*) taxi do aeroporto

SAÍDA DE RIO BRANCO PARA BOCA DO ACRE: _____ (data e horário)

LOCAL DE SAÍDA: _____ (estada de Rio Branco)

HOSPEDAGEM EM BOCA DO ACRE: _____ (digite sua opção)

1*) Hotel Alice 2*) Hotel Mariano 3*) Hotel São Pedro 4*) Hotel Linhares 5*) Hotel Pedro Lapique

QUANTIDADE DE DIÁRIAS _____

DATA DE PARTIDA PARA CÉU DO MAPIÁ: _____

TRANSPORTE FLUVIAL PARA VILA CÉU DO MAPIÁ: _____ (digite sua opção)

1*) Lancha com Motor de popa 40hp 2*) Lancha com Rabeta 3*) Canoas de Madeira com Rabeta

QUANTIDADE DE DIÁRIAS NA VILA CÉU DO MAPIÁ: _____

HOSPEDAGEM NA VILA CÉU DO MAPIÁ: _____ (digite sua opção)

1*) Pousada Jardim da Floresta 2*) Pousada São Miguel 3*) Hospedaria 2000

4*) Hospedaria seringueira 5*) Quarto em casa de família 6*) Rede em casa de família

Se sua opção for a 5ª ou a 6ª, responda:
Já tem família de preferência já acertada?
NÃO: _____ Qual? _____
SIM: _____ Qual? _____

COLABORAÇÃO PARA AS DESPESAS DA IGREJA E DA COMUNIDADE:
1*) 100,00 por semana _____
2*) 150,00 por semana _____ (valor sugerido pela Associação de Moradores)
3*) 200,00 por semana _____
4*) Em trabalho - 3x por semana _____
Tem preferência por atividade laboral, se sim indique, pode ser mais de uma:
1*) Felicidade 2*) Atendimento à saúde 3*) Cozinha 4*) Serviços gerais _____

DESEJA QUE A EQUIPE DE ORGANIZAÇÃO FAÇA SUAS RESERVAS? SIM: _____ NÃO: _____

Sua ficha será processada e em breve você receberá um contato de nossa equipe de recepção.
Agradecemos seu interesse e disposição em colaborar. Até breve!

AMAGAIA

A PROGRAM TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY IN MAPIÁ

ICEFLU - THROUGH THE AMAGAIA PROGRAM - HAS BEEN SUPPORTING SOCIO-ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS IN CÉU DO MAPIÁ

The Program is consolidated as a set of coordinated actions and projects that aims to support and strengthen communitarian sustainability in its four dimensions: social, economic, ecological and cultural. The program has been built by the residents in partnership with a worldwide network of supporters.

As detailed in the table below, each project is in a certain phase of development, receiving specific support to advance the phases of Dreaming, Planning, Doing and Celebrating.

Support of Community Projects

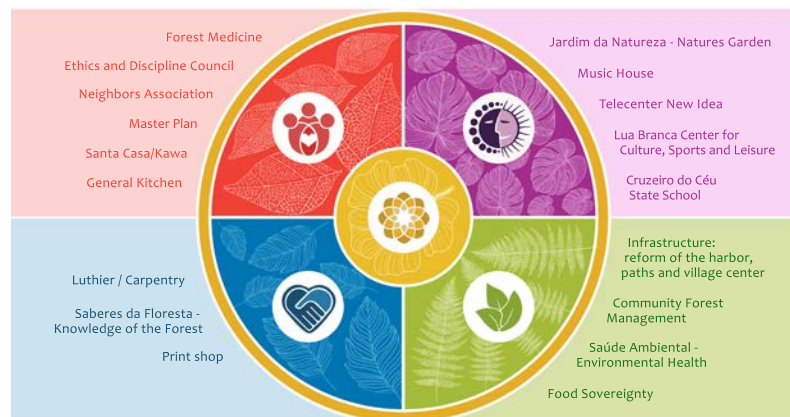
The AmaGaia Program provides different kinds of support to community projects, according to the stage of each project.

Our flow for project design takes into account three steps in each of the four main stages: Dream, Plan, Do and Celebrate.



Source: adapted from the Dragon Dreaming Project Design approach

Ongoing Community Projects



Communitarian projects under development.

Communitarian projects' flow.

One focus of the program in 2019 has been to support the local institutions: AMVCM, COOPERAR and IDARIS. A team of professionals have been giving technical support and training, and facilitating meetings. The program also continues to support other communitarian projects, especially in the improvement and construction of infrastructures. And the support for youth scholarships at Centro Medicina da Floresta, Jardim da Natureza and Capoeira da Floresta project, was only possible with the collaboration of the brother and sisterhood from all over the world via a successful crowdfunding effort.

Every three months, meetings are held to monitor, evaluate and adjust the program. The members of the Inter-Institutional Working Group (GTI) and representatives of the projects and groups participate in those meetings. Through articulation and participation in networks of sustainable communities, alliances and partnerships have been established. Local residents are also participating at international events such as Climate Change and Consciousness and the International Ayahuasca Conference, and these communitarian projects and activities are being spread around the world.

MAJOR ACTIONS OF AMAGAIA PROGRAM IN 2019



IDARIS meeting.



AmaGaia team facilitates institutional planning meeting.



Interns at Centro Medicina da Floresta.



FOREST MANAGEMENT FULLY ACTIVE IN VILA CÉU DO MAPIÁ

THIS PROJECT BRINGS INNOVATION AND SUSTAINABILITY TO THE COMMUNITY, EDUCATING ITS WORKERS AND ALLOWING FOR CONSERVATION AND VALUATION OF THE RICHNESS OF THE FOREST

Forest Management is one of the community projects under development in Céu do Mapiá, supported by ICEFLU, through the Nova Era Institute and the Amagaia Program. The Sustainable Forest Management Plan of the community was approved in 2013 by the Federal Government. In July, last year, the first PMFS timber harvest was carried out, after approval of documentation with the ICMBio. The first timber harvest was a milestone for Céu do Mapiá also at the pedagogical level, since it has begun the implementation of low impact techniques, which are forest management techniques promoting a minimal impact in the forest, which also introduces issues related to worker health and safety. It generates work and income to the community, and contributes to the conservation of the forest.

In this first cycle, 47 trees of nine different species were legally harvested, then transported from the forest management area to the storage yard, near the village. The activity involved about 30 members of the community. Some of the harvested wood was destined to community construction projects, and part of it was stored for future use. Together with the first harvest, the forest management team began the demarcation of the Annual Production Unit #2, that is, the second production area to be entered. They performed a botanical identification and measurement of trees- the forest inventory. Approximately 2,000 trees were catalogued and more than 230 species identified.



Last May, in partnership with IMAFLORA, IFT and UFAC, courses and trainings were offered to the management team, such as First Aid, Work Safety in Machinery and Equipment, Special Cutting Techniques, Safety in Forest Management, and Operation of Mobile Sawmill. For wood processing (civil construction, furniture, small objects, handicrafts etc.), a Woodworking School is being built, to combine the continuous accreditation of the working members with productive activities. The expectation is to develop the production chain adding value to products, improving individual and collective well-being through consideration of the characteristics and desires of the community.



Community Forest Management Team in the forest.

YOUNG PEOPLE FROM CÉU DO MAPIÁ TAKE PART IN AUDIOVISUAL WORKSHOPS WITH CANAL JAGUBE

Jagube Radio, created in the 1990's by Lucio Mortimer, is the inspiration for Canal Jagube - The Jagube Channel. The audiovisual workshops are part of a communitarian communication project, designed for young people from Céu do Mapiá and supported by the professional production company Arica Cinematográfica based in São Paulo. The interest of young people in the audiovisual is through the contact with the digital world, which increases the possibilities of communication. It is a practical way of exchanging information with the world outside of the Amazon Rainforest, breaking the isolation barrier of the region in which they live. Canal Jagube is available on platforms such as Facebook, YouTube, Instagram and SoundCloud, bringing a large audience to the content that is generated within the Purus National Forest in the Brazilian Amazon.



Canal Jagube Audiovisual Workshop.

LUA BRANCA: HEALTHY INTEGRATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

The Lua Branca center of Culture, Sport and Recreation promotes integration of young people through various activities, such as capoeira, maculelê, shows, dance circles, film and others. Since Céu do Mapiá is an isolated community, the availability of healthy and enjoyable activities for youth is a pillar of communitarian development. The Cipó de Ouro Academy of capoeira is also located in the Lua Branca center, where regular classes focused especially on youth and children take place, supported by the Capoeira Project. The infrastructure of the academy and surroundings are being improved with an open area for recreation and sports, including a playground for children.



Puxada de rede – traditional show of the community.

CAPOEIRA IN THE FOREST



Mapiá youth in capoeira training with Mestre Ponciano, Guaratinguetá, SP.

In February and March of this year, with the support of ICEFLU through the AmaGaia Program, the Capoeira na Floresta project launched a crowdfunding campaign. People from many parts of the world collaborated to reach the financial goal. The campaign allowed the project to finance the trip of Mestres Ponciano and Morena (CDO Guaratinguetá) to Vila Céu do Mapiá to hold capoeira classes and organize cultural presentations, provide scholarships to 3 young members of the community who were trained to teach capoeira classes in the community for ten months, and to purchase uniforms and musical instruments (atabaque, berimbau, pandeiro) for the Academia Cipó de Ouro. As part of the project 5 young people - Israel de Freitas, Meiriane Ramos, Miraci Melo, Tupiraci Nascimento and Mariano Gonçalves – were trained by Capoeira professionals, involving various training activities, with practical and theoretical classes. Back in Céu do Mapiá, they began teaching Capoeira classes at Academia Cipó de Ouro.



Capoeira at Floresta campaign.

INNOVATION AND SUSTAINABILITY ARE THE KEYWORDS OF THE NEW IDARIS MANAGEMENT

The Raimundo Irineu Serra Environmental Development Institute - IDARIS - is a local institute with a mission to promote the sustainability of communitarian life in Vila Céu do Mapiá. On February 28th, a new board (see chart) was elected to carry out intense work, elaborating and implementing sustainable projects that promote the health and well-being of the population. IDARIS participates in forums and communitarian councils, focusing on the four dimensions of sustainability, following the process of local development, promoting social equity and environmental education, integrating and communicating with civil and public institutions from the Purus National Forest. It unites and mobilizes a global network that creates new models of life and practices the collaborative institutional management, guided by circular and transparent processes. IDARIS focuses on the application of the Sustainability Assessment in Vila Céu do Mapiá. This methodology, created by the Global Ecovillages Network, establishes indicators in the four dimensions of sustainability, and it is a valuable management tool. The ultimate goal is to create an observatory of sustainability and territorial governance, which will guide the actions of the institution. To learn more about IDARIS: <http://fb.me/idarismapia>



IDARIS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY	ALVINO DA SILVA MELO
WOMEN'S SECRETARY	REGINA PEREIRA
SOCIAL PROMOTION SECRETARY	MARCOS FERNANDO MALAQUIAS

EFFICIENT MICROORGANISMS (EM)

Efficient microorganisms (or EM) are a traditional and revolutionary way to regenerate the earth. It entails the creation of high amounts of living microorganisms in the water, which are then sprinkled on the ground to accelerate the decomposition of dead organic matter (leaves and branches). EM production workshops were held with students from Cruzeiro do Céu State School, visitors and residents. EM are being used in gardens, nurseries, agroforestry, and for the purification of dams and standing ponds.

ICEFLU HOLDS AN INTEGRATION AND PLANNING MEETING



Participants in ICEFLU Integration and Planning Meeting.

The Church of the Eclectic Center of the Fluent Universal Light Patron Sebastião Mota de Melo - ICEFLU - has been strengthening institutionally and consolidating the work of our mother Church. As part of this process, on November 19th and 20th, 2018, the ICEFLU team and partners met in São Paulo with the purpose of integrating and aligning the actions that are being developed with focus on building strategies to strengthen the institution.

ICEFLU LAUNCHES NEW A WEBSITE FOR THE NEW DIMENSION

ICEFLU is an institution that represents Santo Daime in Brazil and throughout the world, and its new website is now live. A model of digital participation for all brother and sisterhood spread over more than 35 countries. A way of connecting the irmandade, informing about ICEFLU activities and its socio-environmental projects that are being developed; aiming at the institutional remodeling and the commemorative year of 2020. Have a look and be part of this movement: <http://www.iceflu.org>.



Ecological practices in Mapiá: use of EM (efficient microorganisms) in the purification of dams and igapós.

IMPROVING THE INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE COMMUNITY

Simultaneously with the construction of the church, other structures are being built or refurbished, supported by ICEFLU, in partnership with Instituto Nova Era, as part of the AmaGaia Program. The Telecentro and Jardim da Natureza are being refurbished, the Casa de Música Madrinha Júlia is finishing its building, the Centro de Cultura, Esporte e Lazer Lua Branca and Academia Cipó de Ouro are being improved with a soccer field and playground. Some other structures are under construction including the Saberes da Floresta laboratory and the Woodworking School. There are also some other construction projects planned: the Environmental Health building, the Madrinha Rita Kindergarten School, Kawa laboratory, the new headquarters of AMVCM, the Communitarian Justice Center, Visitor Center and the Santa Casa building.

Status Chart of Communitarian Projects.

PROJECT	FASES							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Telecenter	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Saberes da Floresta	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Casa de Música	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
CCEL Lua Branca	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Jardim da Natureza	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Woodworking School	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Saúde Ambiental	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Kindergarten	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Santa Casa	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Kawa	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
AMVCM headquarters	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Visitor Center	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8



FOR A SOLID CHURCH AND A CONSOLIDATED IRMANDADE

ICEFLU IS RELEASING A RE-ENROLLMENT CAMPAIGN IN ORDER TO BROADEN ITS AFFILIATES. JOIN THIS CHAIN OF LOVE AND SPIRITUAL RESPONSIBILITY

The Church of the Eclectic Cult of the Fluent Universal Light - Patrono Sebastião Mota de Melo (ICEFLU) is the institution responsible for the expansion of the doctrine of Padrinho Sebastião. Formerly named Cefluris, ICEFLU seeks to define the bureaucratic and theological organization of this spiritual current that has been establishing itself as an important worldwide diffuser of knowledge provided by the light of Santo Daime. With the growth of its branches and the development of the communities linked to the institution, its internationalization and all the demands

that this generates, ICEFLU has undergone several degrees of improvement. Today, the institution is represented in 35 countries, with many fardados and several communities. In order to maintain the organization of the institution, much effort has been made. It's very important to strengthen the institution by becoming an affiliate, this makes ICEFLU more sustainable and able to support ever more its branches and communities. ICEFLU is being reformulated to better support its affiliates and branches, and in order to do so it is promoting a re-enrollment of its members and looking for new members.

It is essential that each member become aware of the importance of being connected to the mother church and its institution. As our president Padrinho Alfredo always reminds us, we have to be connected and aware of our responsibility within the Doctrine, from the seed to the glass. That means to participate actively in the process of planting, cultivating, maintaining, harvesting, producing, distributing, and consuming the Holy Daime. Let's participate by re-enrolling, becoming an official an active member, and understanding ICEFLU's importance to us all.

ARTESANAL SOAP IN THE FOREST SUSTAINABLE AND EDUCATIONAL

Since April 2015, the Saberes da Floresta (knowledge of the forest) group has left a positive mark upon Vila Céu do Mapiá. The group was created during communitarian meetings and it is composed of women who seek economic alternatives by means of educational and sustainable actions. The group works on two product lines: seivas, which produces handmade soaps and medicinal cosmetics from extracts and fine oils from the forest, and a line of ecological cleaning products, which includes soap and detergent made from saturated oil, avoiding soil and water pollution. After refurbishing its new headquarters, the team organized to start the production phase in partnership with the program of young apprentices.

"Saberes da Floresta" products.



DISCIPLINARY ETHICAL COUNCIL ACTIVE AND STRENGTHENED

THE DISCIPLINARY ETHICAL COUNCIL IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING THE ORDER AND COMMUNITARIAN LAWS AND AGREEMENTS, AND FOR CONFLICT MANAGEMENT IN VILA CÉU DO MAPIÁ

Recently, important advances have been made in the sense of strengthening the Ethical Disciplinary Council (CED) and the communitarian justice. Last March, with the support of the Dialogação Institute, through the AmaGaia Program, the bylaws of the Communitarian Justice Center were elaborated; the Introduction to Conflict Management course for teachers and community residents was held; and lectures and talks were held with young people and women about rights and duties, including those related to domestic violence.

The elaboration of the bylaws of CED is an important step for the council to have more autonomy in the actions and to be considered a judicial power in the community. Established in these bylaws: the operating standards of the council, the procedures of attendance and reports, and the process of evaluation of cases. From now on, the cases will be divided into these issues: children, adolescents and women; common incidents; and more serious ones. Currently, CED needs its own headquarters. Therefore, the council devised the Communitarian Justice Center project, in which it proposes, in addition to the construction of the headquarters, a paid staff and equipment. This year, CED welcomed the police from Pauini and from Acre, who made some operations aimed at maintaining order, security, and justice in the community. Since its foundation, there have been approximately 700 incidents recorded in CED's Book of Reports. The Ethical Disciplinary Council is composed by: Roberto Corrente, José Corrente, João Corrente, Francisca Corrente, Pedro Zacarias, Clara Iura, Isabel Barsé, Irene Villarreal, Regina Pereira, Antônio Carneiro, Rosineide Raulino, Dario Ibacetta, Pedro Vicente and João Evangelista (Vanja).



CED with police officers: reinforcing security.



Chocolates made with native cocoa benefited by COOPERAR.

COOPERAR PROMOTES SUSTAINABLE EXTRACTIVISM IN THE REGION

COOPERATIVE ORGANIZES ITS TEAM, PROMOTES EXTRACTIVISM AND AGGREGATES VALUE TO REGIONAL AGROFORESTRY PRODUCTS

The "Cooperativa Agroextrativista do Mapiá e Médio Purus" - COOPERAR - was founded in 2003 by residents of Vila Céu do Mapiá - AM. Today, there are over 300 members that inhabit the region of Purus, in the municipalities of Boca do Acre, Pauini and Lábrea - Amazonas State. The headquarters of the cooperative is located in Céu do Mapiá, but also has a branch in Boca do Acre - AM, which functions as a commercial warehouse, administrative and productive center. The basic purpose of the cooperative is to develop sustainable production activities, which combine the generation of work and income with the conservation of the forest, as well as to promote the collective purchasing power and to improve the supply of necessities, in order to reduce costs of the population of Purus region. Thus, the cooperative has three strategic axes that guide the work: Preservation of the Forest, Participatory Management and Food Sovereignty.

COOPERAR's main productive chains are: native cocoa, managed wood, vegetable oils, mulateiro extract, phytotherapeutics, cosmetics, handicrafts and food. The Cooperative seeks to add value to its products, and has received certification for export. Currently it provides high quality products to Brazil and countries including Germany, France and the United States. In 2019, the vegetable oil factory was inaugurated, which already has organic certification for the processing of fruits such as tucumã, patauá, buriti, pequi, andiéba, copaíba, uxi, ouricuri, Brazil nut, cacao and other fine essences from the Amazon. The Board of Directors of COOPERAR is elected at the General Assembly, with a term of two years. The current Board - elected in October 2018 - is formed by a group of communitarian members: José Antônio Conceição Camilo (President), Elizângela Vieira de Souza Apurinã (Vice President), Antônia Lima de Freitas (Financial Administrative Director), José Geraldo Tranin (Industrial Operations Director), Fabiúla Caroline Martins de Barros (Marketing Director), Nivaldo Pinto Bastos (Non-Wood Production Director), José Raimundo Corrente da Silva (Wood Production Director), Eliana Lúcia Cortez Pessoa (Supplies Director), and Ana Kezia Lima Marinho (Communication Director).

COMMUNAL WORK BUILDS THE GRAIN MILL

DURING 16 YEARS, THE “ROÇADÃO” GENERATES UNION, WORK AND ABUNDANCE

In 2003, with the support of AMVCM, a large community field was cleared in Céu do Mapiá. Harvests of rice, maize and cassava were planted until 2008, when activities were interrupted so that the land could rest and regenerate. In 2011, teacher Vinícius, together with the Cruzeiro do Céu School, began a project with young people, reactivating the “Roçadaõ” - the community agricultural labor events. The project was a success and continued until 2016. In 2017, cassava was planted during “mutirões” held on Mondays. With a lot of volunteer work and the support of friends, in 2018 the construction of a grain mill was undertaken, in order to use the cassava harvested to make flour. With satisfaction and pride, the group inaugurated the communitarian grain mill, and invited everybody to learn more about this communitarian project.



The new Communitarian Grain Mill is approaching completion.

OUR COMMUNITARIAN FAIR

In September 2018, during the festivities of Padrinho Nel's 90 years old, an exposition of local products was held in the main square of Vila Céu do Mapiá. Since then, this Producer's Fair (Farmer's Market) gained force, and has been held frequently. The Producers' Fair of Céu do Mapiá Village is fulfilled by ICEFLU, COOPERAR, AMVCM and IDARIS with the support of AmaGaia Program and Nova



Fair is a meeting point for Mapiá residents.

Era Institute. It encourages the production of food in Mapiá and surroundings, guaranteeing food sovereignty of the ones involved, and also contributing to financial autonomy within the logic of economic solidarity. In addition, the fair promotes meetings between residents and visitors, combining access to healthy food, culinary production, culture and crafts.

VILA CÉU DO MAPIÁ - CENTER OF COOPERAR'S PROJECT OF FOOD SOVEREIGNTY AND AGROECOLOGY

COOPERAR, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH AMVCM AND THE SUPPORT OF AMAGAIA PROGRAM, STARTED IN APRIL THE PROJECT OF FOOD SOVEREIGNTY AND AGROECOLOGY

The objective of the project is to support family farming and strengthen local production, and the consumption of agroecological food, reducing external dependence. The expectation is to organize and strengthen a network of farmers in Vila Céu do Mapiá and the region, increase the generation of work and income from agroecological production, train and involve young people and improve the quality of life of the population through access to healthy food without toxins.

Food sovereignty is understood as the right of peoples to define their own forms of production, distribution and consumption of food, respecting the culture and way of life of people, removing dependence on large international markets of seeds and agrochemicals and ensuring food to the entire population. Agroecology is understood as science, practice and movement for an agriculture that contributes to the economic, social, ecological and cultural regeneration.

The project aims to create conditions for Mapiá's population to have autonomy in food production and sustenance, and to be able to depend as little as possible on products from outside, guaranteeing nutritional quality and resilience.

The project encompasses a technical group formed by a veterinarian, an agronomist and local community specialists. Farmers from Mapiá and the surrounding region were enrolled and started planting activities on the beaches of the Purus river, improving local gardens, developing Agroforestry Systems and strengthening the Farmer's Market - Feira dos Produtores - held in Vila Céu do Mapiá.



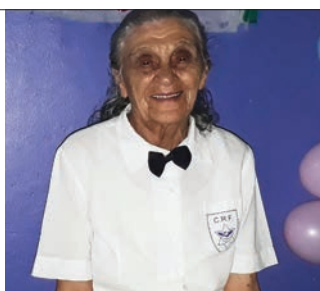
CÉU DO MAPIÁ FORMALIZES ITS INTEGRATION WITH THE GLOBAL ECOVILLAGE NETWORK

On January 21st, 2019, Mapiá's 36th anniversary, Padrinho Alfredo signed the "Declaration of Commitment and Intent" to officially join the Global Ecovillage Network (GEN). Mapiá joined a network of initiatives and communities "consciously designed through local participatory processes in all four dimensions of sustainability (social, cultural, ecological and economical) to regenerate their social and natural environments." A historic achievement for the community which aims to fulfill the mission of Padrinho Sebastião, now led by his heirs, to build "a new world, a new people, a new system". The signed document was delivered by representatives of the community and AmaGaia Program, Mariana Arruda and Ana Carolina Simas, to the GEN Executive Director Kosha Joubert at a global climate event held in the ecovillage in Findhorn, Scotland.



MADRINHA JÚLIA TURNS 85

On December 29th, 2018, our beloved Madrinha Júlia turned 85! An immense joy for all family, godchildren and friends to celebrate this important date singing her beautiful hinário O Convite. After the spiritual work there was a celebration with cakes and snacks for all.



CHRISTMAS DINNER

For the first time in its history, Mapiá held a large Christmas feast just after the spiritual work, in the church itself. The party was organized with the participation of residents and visitors who contributed with a donation or a delicious dish. At the end, there was the ceremony of sharing the bread, commemorating the birth of the baby Jesus.

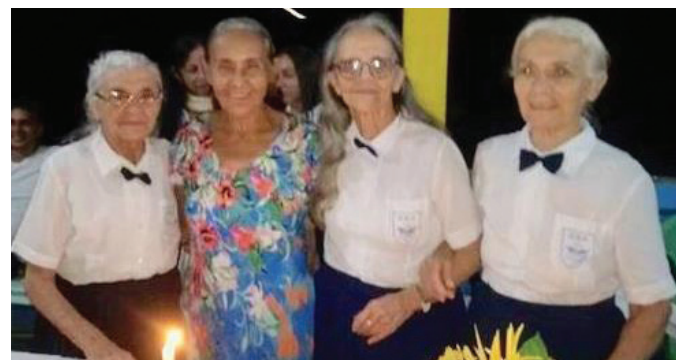
ATTENTION TO THE RHYTHM!

Odemir Raulino da Silva turned 60 on September 29th, 2018. The president of the church of Trono das Estrelas, in Boca do Acre, celebrated with a great party, with many guests, among them the Counselor Luiz Mendes, his son Saturnino and family. On the next day, there was a well-attended luncheon.



THE NEW 70'S

On August 15th, 2018 our teacher of hymns and ritual, caretaker of the church and General Kitchen, Regina Pereira, affectionately called Rê, completed her 70th year of life with a special party: Padrinho Sebastião's hinário was sung, everybody in white farda, with beautiful decorations and a delicious cake. On May 28th, 2019, it was veteran Daíde's turn to celebrate her 70th. Daíde, a faithful companion of Padrinho Sebastião, celebrated on the balcony of Madrinha Rita, singing the hinário of Maria Damião.



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Mariana Arruda, a young representative from Céu do Mapiá and Director of the Centro Medicina da Floresta and Ana Carolina Simas, coordinator of the AmaGaia Program, participated last April in the international conference Climate Change and Consciousness – our legacy to the Earth – CCC19. The event was held in an ecovillage in Findhorn (<https://www.findhorn.org>), Scotland, with more than 50 years of existence and one of the world references in practical application of technologies for communities with social, ecological, economic and cultural sustainability. CCC19 brought together over 300 people from diverse movements engaged in initiatives to deal with climate change, ecological, economic and social crises and the transition to a post-oil world. The event was an opportunity to strengthen the articulation of ICEFLU / Céu do Mapiá communitarian movement with the Global Ecovillage Network and other initiatives and related organizations, establish contacts and partnerships with leaderships and transition movements for sustainability, and present Vila Céu do Mapiá and its projects. After returning to Mapiá, Mariana Arruda gave a lecture on climate change for the children and young people of Cruzeiro do Céu State School, as part of the activities of the school's Environment Week. In the photo, Mariana Arruda and Ana Carolina Simas with the activists Vandana Shiva, Mama Visolela and Cíntia, in the CCC19.



70TH BIRTHDAY OF THE HELMSMAN OF THE CÉU DO MAR CHURCH



The first to establish a church outside of Mapiá, the son-in-law of Padrinho Sebastião and Madrinha Rita and married to Madrinha Nonata, he is the father of dedicated children Jordão, Jordana and Yasmin and grandfather to Kai Sebastião and Paulo Roberto Mukaihu. Owner of the beautiful hinários Luz na Escuridão, Nova Aliança, Caminho do Céu e Escada do Céu, he deserved the last hymn left by his father-in-law. He is the guardian of the Céu do Mar church and a strong ally of the community and his brothers-in-law, Valdete and Alfredo. On June 2nd, Padrinho Paulo Roberto celebrated his 70th birthday with a big celebration at his church in Rio de Janeiro, where he received hundreds of guests, including relatives, godchildren and friends.

ICEFLU EUROPEAN REGIONAL MEETING

Juan Carlos from Spain, Walter Menozzi from Italy and Constanza from Germany, along with other members of the ICEFLU European region, met with AMVCM representatives in January to learn about the AmaGaia Program, the structure of the current board and planning for the Centennial. They had the opportunity to make suggestions regarding the reception of visitors and to outline the possible promotion of the World Meeting of Churches in 2020.



2019 YOUTH ENCOUNTER

Between February 6-10, about 40 young people from Céu do Mapiá participated in the Encontro dos Jovens (Youth Encounter) 2019. Five days of cooperation, organization, group work, debates, integration with nature and many other reflections and activities took place, highlighting the active participation of young people in organizing and holding the Meeting. The activities took place in various places in the community, such as the Santa Casa, Jardim da Natureza, soccer field, Lua Branca Center and Madrinha Rita's house. Breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack were served almost every day in the Santa Casa. The resources for the meeting came from the funds raised by the youth event "Herdeiros do Padrinho" held in January 2018, and from AMVCM.

SECURITY IN CÉU DO MAPIÁ

In May, a team of eight members of the Federal Police together with the chief of the Purus National Forest Antônio José were in the community, at the request of ICEFLU and AMVCM. The group met with the Ethical Disciplinary Council and toured the village. In the end, they left an important message for the community and its religious leaders. They also visited Madrinha Rita, where they promised to help her maintain security and peace in Mapiá.



GENERAL KITCHEN - PROFESSIONAL CUISINE

The General Kitchen is serving as a restaurant for the workers of the church construction project. It is a great opportunity because the Kitchen is being improved in terms of infrastructure, administration and professionalism. Its managers received guidance from the Institute of Socioeconomic Solidarity - ISES - and all the staff were trained by a technician specialized in large-scale food production.



Several improvements have been made along the paths of the village. One of the most important is the walkway to Santa Casa, poured in concrete by the construction company responsible for the church with the help of communitarian mutirões. This helped to restore a path that had suffered severe erosion by rains, which threatened to impede access to the center.

CRUZEIRO DO CÉU STATE SCHOOL



Cruzeiro do Céu State School promoted a number of extracurricular activities related to the church and the community: feitio, production of farinha, spiritual works, environmental journeys, youth meetings, and mutirões. With the irmandade's support and the help of the construction company, four more classrooms were built, the old building was dismantled, and some improvements were made. Teachers, students and staff also participated in workshops and lectures, including those on the construction of ecological pits, production and application of efficient microorganisms, restorative justice, art and crafts. The school also hosted lectures on various subjects such as drugs, sexuality and bullying. The school includes students from kindergarten to high school, and is known as a fine example of education in the region. The traditional festa junina party was an important event for the school, including new attractions, the circle dances- including the show of carimbó (see photo) and Irish dance presented by the young women, a show which was repeated both at the Santa Casa and at Madrinha Rita's house.

LET'S JUMP THE BONFIRE?

The traditional bonfires of the June Festival are always a spectacle in Mapiá, made with embaúba, a hollow native tree that grows quickly and in abundance. The bonfire construction is already an event. Constructed by many men, it's a heavy job, but an important mission. Each Saint of the June Festival gets a big bonfire. São Pedro's bonfire was 3 meters in height... Incredible!



MORE THAN A CENTENARY!

Madrinha Rita turned 94. Very lucid and affectionate, she celebrated her birthday with all her family and friends. In the church hundreds of people sang O Justiceiro. After the spiritual work there was a celebration with a cake, snacks and refreshments. The next day, a large community lunch was served in the General Kitchen. God grant her more than a hundred years, with great health and happiness!



FROM THE FOREST TO THE WORLD

Kawa is a project and brand for commercialization of artesanal phytotherapeutic products aimed at helping to sustain the Santa Casa de Cura - Padrinho Manoel Corrente. Many Kawa products made in Mapiá were sold in Brazil and abroad searching for the sustainability of Santa Casa de Cura Padrinho Manoel Corrente. The Kawa and Centro Medicina da Floresta products were exhibited at the III World Conference of Ayahuasca - AYA 2019, in Girona, Catalonia, Spain.

EDITORA YAGÉ

Editora Yagé, in partnership with ICEFLU, is reissuing several important books for Santo Daime's history. Among them "Bença Padrinho" and "Nosso Senhor Aparecido na Floresta", by Lucio Mortimer; "O Guia da Floresta" and "O Evangelho Segundo Sebastião Mota", by Alex Polari. In addition, new publications are being made of the works of Maria Eugenia, Isabel Barsé and Vera Frões.

"Pérolas do EU SOU" - Channeled by Isabel Barsé - Release of Editora Yagé.



IN THE JORDAN RIVER



Padrinho Valdete, Nete, Neide and Lucio visited Israel and its capital Jerusalem. There, Padrinho Valdete remembered his father, entered into the waters of Jordan River, and baptized his companions, including members of the local church. Here is a picture of this historical moment. Viva São João Batista!

ST. PETER OPENS THE GATES OF HEAVEN

IN THE MIDDLE OF THE JUNE FESTIVAL, SAD NEWS FOR THOSE WHO REMAIN ON EARTH, BUT CERTAINLY A CELEBRATION IN HEAVEN. THE MASTER COUNSELOR LUIZ MENDES DO NASCIMENTO SAID GOODBYE TO HIS LIFE ON EARTH ON JUNE 29TH. FAITHFUL COMPANION OF MESTRE IRINEU, A CLOSE FRIEND OF MOTA DE MELO FAMILY AND THE VETERANS OF CÉU DO MAPIÁ, HE LEAVES IN HIS STEAD HIS SON SATURNINO, ALONG WITH A LARGE FAMILY AND MANY FOLLOWERS IN HIS CHURCH, THE CENTER OF THE ECLECTIC ILLUMINATED LOTUS FLOWER - CEFLI.

