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And he said unto them let us go into the next towns, that I may preach there: for therefore came I forth.

Mark 1: 38

Dear Friends and Supporters,

Thank you so much to all that are walking with us in prayer these days. This month has been very difficult, and we feel somewhat torn as we have had less time to minister. Some of what was planned did not happen, but thanks so much for praying.

I wrote and sent my prayer letter last month on Wednesday, September 30th. On Friday, October 2nd, my father went home to be with the Lord. With this news, we quickly started preparing to return to the States for the services. We were in the States for approximately two weeks. The services were honoring to the memory of my father, but more importantly, glorified the God whom He served and whom we serve. Please pray for healing and strength as we continue on in the service of the Lord.

October is the month that Brazilians commemorate Day of the Child. We had planned a program in three different villages. We had worked with the group here to assist during the program. When we discovered that we needed to travel quickly, one of the things that we did was sit down with the group and go over everything so that they could carry on without us. Fernanda saw to details while we were traveling to make sure that they were able to do what was necessary.

There were three programs with mixed results. One was considerably less attended than last year showing low interest. We heard that many had been prohibited, and are unsure of the sudden change of attitude. Another had good attendance although not as many as last year; however, there was a new person visiting. The last, was the surprise. A village that over all has shown a minimum of interest, turned out in a large group! More people came than we were aware even live in the village. Parents and children stood around to hear the Bible lessons, and the plan of salvation. Parents thanked the workers for remembering their children, as no one else comes to minister to them. Please pray for further opportunities in this village, as well as continued open doors in the other villages.

Sometimes a program in a situation like this seems without fruit, but it is seed that is being sown. A year ago, we had a good program in Sao Luis with a variety of teens and adults as well as children. We prayed this last year that we might be able







to minister to some of those whom we had only spoken with a year ago.

On Wednesday, Fernanda received a message from a young teen asking if she could bring her boyfriend to service. The answer was that all are welcome at service as long as they behave. When she arrived, the boyfriend was one of the teens that had come a year ago to listen to the lesson at the Day of the Child program. Please pray that we have continued opportunity to work and minister to both teens, and that God would save them.

We continue to make slow progress on the construction of the building. While in the States, we were asked how much we were praying for to be able to use the building as a pavilion. I answered "$5,000." The Lord has already started providing some of that money. The group is encouraged, and I told them to pray that God would supply the rest. I told them that if each one of us does exactly what God has asked of us, God will supply what we need through channels that we aren´t even looking at. So many times, I have seen God change the channel that He uses, so that I trust Him, and not the channel.

In my father´s last days, he sometimes struggled with clarity. One time he was asked who he was, and his answer was, "Revival." When asked where he was, he answered, "Revival." Those who knew my father best over the years, and ministered with Him, knew that revival was a subject close to his heart. Habakkuk.3:2 says: "O Lord, I have heard thy speech, and was afraid: O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy." The cry of Habakkuk was the cry of my father and many of his friends. Do we desire to see God re-awaken and put new life in the hearts of the believers? Revival is personal and then affects the outward action. It starts in the hearts of the believers, one by one, then the group is affected, and then a lost and dying world is awakened. May God revive the hearts of church members, churches, missionaries and our ministries. May we carry a desire for revival so deep that it will be remembered, when we are no longer clear about our name.



Please continue to pray for us.
In His Service,
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