

Dear Partners in ministry,

November 6, 2016

“Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;” Ephesians 5:20. We are truly thankful to our Lord for all He has for us here in Northeast Brazil.

1. August is youth month here in Brazil. I challenged our young adults to be responsible for Saturday adolescent and young adult groups during the month. They accepted the challenge and did a great job organizing activities and presenting lessons for both groups! An added blessing was one of the young adults, Flávio, preached his first sermon on the last Wednesday night of the month!
2. During August we started up classes for the Institute in Arembepé. We praise the Lord for the thirty people from three different churches who have taken the different classes up to this point in the semester!
3. The first week of September, a married couple from the church in Arembepé, Antonio e Iraci, asked to talk to us. They are both long time members of the church and originally from another state Alagoas, which is seven hours north of us. During the visit they asked us if we would set aside a weekend at the end of September to go and evangelize their families. We agreed to go and that both couples would begin praying daily about the trip. The area where they are from is very strong in Satan worship and we certainly needed the Lord to prepare the way for us. God blessed in a great way. We received a great reception by both families. We were blessed to have services in three different towns and had freedom to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ. No one made a decision, but many seeds were planted and we trust God will give the fruit in His time. We were also blessed to be able to go to the open air market in Penedo, a city of 80,000 people without a solid gospel witness. As we began to hand out tracts on the street and in the open air market two things happened that has never happened to me before here in Brazil. First, people not only received the tracts, they also stopped what they were doing and began to read them. One man came up to Darla and asked for a tract. When she informed him that it was about the Word of God he said that that is what he wanted and took the tract. The second thing that happened is that I began to weep uncontrollably over the hunger and desire for the Word as well as the spiritual darkness of these people. I have been in open air markets here in Brazil before and handed out tracts but never have seen the openness and need that I felt that Saturday morning. I am crying again as I write these words. Please pray with us that God will call people to come and preach the gospel to these people! One last blessing from this trip was the privilege to share the gospel with Iraci's father. Manoel is eighty four years old and has been openly opposed to anyone praying or even opening the Bible in his house. After a conversation on Friday afternoon I mentioned to him that I would show him in the Bible a response to his statement about marriage. Monday morning we had planned to get up early and drive back home, but we were providentially detained. While we waited, I had the privilege to not only answer Manoel's statement about marriage, but open the Bible and share the gospel with him. Although he did not accept the Lord that day, we praise the Lord for the open door that He gave and for the seed planted. Please pray with us for the salvation of Manoel and each one that heard the gospel on this trip!

Earlier this year I asked prayer for Brazil as it was in the process of deciding whether to impeach it's president. The process was finalized and the Congress voted to impeach President Dilma. The process was ended and things are starting to get better economically in the country. Thank you for your prayers. The first Sunday of October Brazil held elections for governors and mayors all over the country. The man who is mayor over the city where we live lost. He has taken out his vengeance on the people employed by the city and fired the majority of them. I would ask your prayers for the people in our churches where we work because many of them are suddenly out of a job and without the possibility to get another one quickly.

Thank you for your prayers for our ministry! God has answered and continues to work here because of them. Thank you also for your faithful financial support. We could not continue to serve our Lord here without it! God bless you and your ministries! We remain...

Yours in the White Fields,

Frank, Darla, Cam, Cait, Sofia and Stefan Brim