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MISSIONARIES SERVING IN SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL

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Dear Prayer Partners,

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Greetings from Brazil. May was not only a busy month but one of new ministerial experiences. The month of May is Family Month in Brazil and so emphasis was placed on the family in all the preaching. However, on Mother's Day, Atalias and I had a unique experience. We were already half way home after the evening service when we got called to return to Vargem Grande for an emergency. One of our members was in a panic about a relative who was demonstrating extreme signs of being demon oppressed. We found that to be the case along with it being a battle to get this individual to pray in as much as she had been constantly hearing voices awakening her during the night telling her to do things robbing her of much needed sleep. I will admit she was a mess. We kept telling her she needed to pray, and she kept saying "I can't do it". We finally forced her to repeat a prayer I led her in. Finally, with the help of the Holy Spirit, she was able to repeat the prayer, but it was a struggle. After about 15 minutes of prayer, we could start to see the results, and that night was the first one in a long time that she was able to sleep through the night. We know that this battle is just beginning but we are trying to stay on top of things. The family told me that they noticed a big difference in this individual during the following week, but we feel there is still a long battle ahead. Whoever says that demon oppression of a Christian is a farce, don't know what they are talking about. It is very real and still prevalent in many places in the world. Just recently this individual was present for a Sunday evening service and what a difference. No more voices, a peace that had been absent was now present and a greatly improved appearance. You would surmise that she was a totally different person. Please pray that she will continue to return to our services.

In June we saw an increase in new visitors at the church. Irmão Enrique came because he was disgusted about the way that the church he had been attending was doctrinally going astray placing more emphasis on doctrines of man than the doctrines of GOD found in the Bible. He was commenting about why can't churches just follow what the Bible teaches to a friend at a work establishment where one of our ladies was employed. She spoke up to say, that's what my pastor teaches at our church. He inquired as to what church she attended. Well the following Sunday evening he attended our services and has been faithful ever since. A few weeks later he even brought a friend who had been complaining about the changes doctrinally that had been taking place at his church along with Sunday morning services being completely cancelled and done away with. Now Irmão Claudio is starting to attend our services. Irmão Enrique's wife is also starting to come but she needs a little time yet. Although she too has been noticing the changes at her church which upsets her, their children and their families are members there and thus the conflict. We are praying for her and Giving GOD time to do a work in her heart because she has expressed how much she likes our church family. We ended the month of June in Jd. Varginha with a Missions Conference which was a blessing.

We would ask that you would please continue to pray for irmão Gabriel. Due to the hostility towards believers by his boss, irmão Gabriel was let go and is now driving a UBER vehicle to try to make ends meet. He worked in the field of technology. Please pray that he can find another job in this area so as to be able to better provide for his family.

Lastly we would ask that you pray for God to send more laborers into His field. There are many Brazilian churches currently in need of a pastor and have been without a pastor for over a year. We are also asking GOD in particular for a Brazilian couple with a calling to the ministry to not only help us in the work in Vargem Grande but also with the hope of one day becoming its new pastor. Their presence will also allow us to come home for a long overdue furlough to report to our supporting churches. We know that GOD has a purpose in us delaying our furlough so in the mean time we will remain faithful to do the work to which He has called us.

Once again, as always, thank you for your faithfulness in supporting us financially and/or prayerfully through the years. The churches in Jardim Varginha and Vargem Grande are here today because you prayed and invested in God's work. Please continue to pray with us that we will see an even greater Harvest of souls for the honor and glory of our Lord Jesus Christ in 2025.

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