

# The Amazonian

The HORTON FAMILY Newsletter

## Taking the Light of Jesus to Northern Brazil

Planting New Testament Baptist Churches

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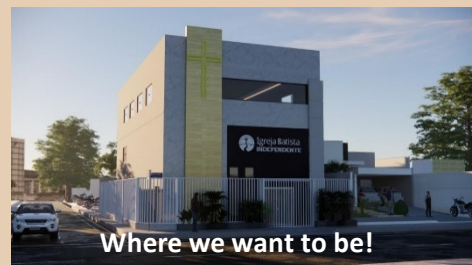
### Independent Baptist Church in New City

It has been exciting to see and experience numerical and spiritual growth in the church this year. We are now having an average of about 30 in the three main services, and we also are now having regular ladies', youth, and men's meetings during the week. Each of these groups also has their own soul-winning programs, and we are practicing various types of evangelism, including door-knocking, tract distribution in the parks, and programmed visitation in the homes of the unsaved. It has been a challenge but also a joy to see each group come together and go out into the neighborhoods! Besides our regular programs, we have also taken on two major projects for the next few months. **First**, we are planning a mission trip to Chile in January. This will be a new and eye-opening experience for the church since it will be their first mission trip of this kind, and their first time out of the country! **Second**, the church has been fervently giving toward the **Matching Funds Campaign** for the building of their new sanctuary. They have given almost **40%** of their commitment towards the campaign (that's \$12,815.00 of \$33,000). That's a significant amount for this church! We are now praying for more U.S. partners to join us in meeting the partners' goal of \$157,000. So far, the Lord has provided \$26,400 of that, through 11 partners. We are so thankful! Will you pray that God will raise up new partners towards this worthy endeavor? Because of the logistics of our location and situation, we cannot start construction until we have almost all of the funds available, so will you prayerfully consider joining us?

Besides these two endeavors, we also have two more



Where we are...



Where we want to be!

exciting projects that we would ask you to pray about. On December 8, we will be holding a Bible conference and distribution campaign, with a goal of preaching and distributing over 1000 Bibles to lost people in our city. And then on December 23, we will have a Christmas Meal and Message Campaign, with a goal of providing both physical and spiritual nourishment to the many homeless in our city. Thank you for partnering with us through your faithful prayers and offerings!

**Other Ministry News:** In July, we had an incredible Youth Camp! Among the 130 campers, we had one profession of faith in Christ and 8 life dedication decisions.

Also, I am glad to say that we have finally been able to purchase a piece of land for the new camp, in a very good location. We made this purchase with proceeds from the sale of our previous camp property. Pray that Camp El Shalom will always be used for God's glory!

Finally, I am excited that we will be starting up our **Bible Institute** classes again in January, after an almost 4-year hiatus. Please pray that we will find a suitable place to hold classes, since the building we were using on loan from one of our churches will no longer be available. Pray as well for good, qualified teachers and for God-called students who wish to prepare for the ministry.

**Personal Updates:** I will be seeing a surgeon on Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, about surgery for a recurring hernia (third time!). Also, I am having my regular lung scans to verify the status of the spot they found in September of 2020. We appreciate your prayers!

*"To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God..." Acts 26:18a*