



The Smiths

Missionaries to

Brazil



Bill and Sharon

Dear Friends,

July, 2015

May – May 1st is like Labor Day in the States. On May 3rd, Sunday night, we drew names of the people present and those are the ones that received a broom, dust pan, saw and hammer. Two couples received the gifts out of all that were present.

On May 10th we had our newly married couple be in charge of a Mother's Day breakfast before church. They did a great job and we had lots to eat and even had a lady visitor and her two daughters in the service.



One of our dear ladies from the church in Caracarai died in a car accident the day after Mother's Day. She was with her daughter and was thrown out of the car. She died at the scene of the accident. She was 79 years old. We attended the funeral in Caracarai and were able to talk with the family as well as a lot of young adults that had attended the church one time or another. We told them it was good to talk to them again but we were sad that they weren't coming to church anymore.

The end of May we both got the virus that was going around. We had chills, colds, headaches and all kinds of things. We were able to attend church services but that was about all. We are feeling better now.

May 30th we traveled to Caracarai for the end of the Institute three month session. Pastor Paulo went with us and brought a challenging message. There were 60 some present. We came back that night and had a good trip. Pastor Luiz had the virus so he wasn't feeling well but made it for the service.

June – June 12th is Valentine's Day here in Brazil. We had a special time after our Sunday evening service on June 14th to eat and play games. We had 8 couples present and all had a good time of fellowship. Each lady was given a plant to take home and we had chocolate candy for everyone.



We had a couple from the Institute in Manaus come up to help us in the works here during their break from the Institute classes. They arrived by bus June 18th and have helped to clean the church and yards plus our yard. They went with us to the hospital one day and passed out tracts and witnessed to people there. He will be doing some preaching and she will be doing the children's class. They will also do church visitation. They still have a year of training in Manaus. We pray we can be a blessing to them. They have already been a blessing to us.

Pray for Sharon as we found out from her blood test that she is a little anemic. The doctor prescribed medicine for to take. We also went to a diabetic doctor and he started her on a different medicine for the neuropathy in her fingers. We are praying that will help with the pain.

Bill is doing better with the problem on his face but still has another month to take the medicine.

One of our church ladies had gall bladder surgery and is doing very well. She told the doctor she was ready for the surgery and knew all would go well. He asked if she was a Christian and she said yes. He told her he thought so because she was calm and not fearful. Another lady in our church has to have a major surgery and she told her doctor as well that she was prepared because she knew it was in the Lord's hands. Praise the Lord we can be witnesses even in our sickness and pain.

Thank you so much for your prayers, financial giving, and letters of encouragement.

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Months of April, May, June
THANK YOU

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