



The Smiths

Missionaries to

Brazil



Bill and Sharon

Dear Friends,

January, 2016

December – Rogério e Zipora came to help us in the church once again and we praise the Lord for them. They are studying in the Bible Institute in Manaus and during their 3 month break they practice what they have learned here with us. We allow him to preach and both of them to teach the Sunday School classes. We have encouraged and helped them when needed. He will graduate in December 2016 and we pray it will be the Lord's will for them to move to Boa Vista and help in the Alvorada church.



We had a Christmas program and the Ladies represented the women that came to the well for water and commented to each other about the birth of Jesus. A message about the Birth of Jesus and the importance of this special time for us even today was given by Rogério.

We decided to have a New Year's Eve service even though only a few were planning to come. We ended up having about 26 and everyone had a good time of food and fellowship. What a great way to bring in the New Year!

January- We planned a Vacation Bible School for 3 nights, Sunday through Tuesday. Our theme was "The Right Way". We compared the right and wrong ways of baking a cake, applying for a job and of taking care of our teeth. Each lesson was compared to the way the Christian needs to do right and not let sin destroy their lives. We had a Baker, a Phycologist and a Dentist from our church present the physical side and Rogério presented the spiritual side of "The Right Way". The adults were using the hot glue gun, doing the handcraft and participating in the activities. We even had a special cake made to celebrate Bill's birthday a few days late.



Reopening the church in Santa Tereza neighborhood- We closed the church work in March of 2015 because Pastor Francisco remarried after the death of his wife two years ago and moved to another city to help his father-in-law in his church. The two families coming to the church decided it was best to close the work until a new Pastor was found.



This month of January Pastor Werlesson Rodrigues, his wife Vanessa and their three adolescent daughters have started church services on Sunday mornings and evenings. They will move from an interior town and live in the church parsonage. They are both looking for jobs until they can get the church going again to support them. Please pray for this family that the Lord will bless and supply their needs. The buildings are there we just need the people!

Pastors Conference - The Conference was held in Caracará, Roraima, on January 16th with 32 people attending. Pastors from Manaus attended as well as Pastors from Boa Vista and other towns in the state of Roraima. Debates were held about the call and work of a Pastor. Pastors gave their opinions and scripture references about each subject. Like all Baptist meetings we had plenty of food and fellowship.

We thank each of you that have a part in our ministry here in Brazil. Without your prayers and financial support, we would not be able to continue on with the works here. Come visit us in Boa Vista! God bless.

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Months of December and January
THANK YOU!

Your missionaries in Northern Brazil,

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