



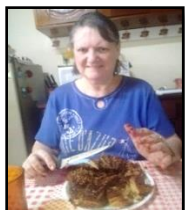
The Smith's Missionaries to Brazil



Bill and Sharon

Dear Friends,

April 2022



Sharon celebrated her **71st Birthday on April 1st**. She received a lot of phone calls, emails and had several visitors during the day. Bill gave her a chocolate cake and picked some fresh flowers from the yard and made a very nice bouquet for her. Pastor Rogerio and Zipora brought a cake that afternoon. We ate and played a game. That evening Pastor Paulo and family gave her an Air Fryer and brought French fries to cook and show her how to use the Fryer. Thank you to everyone.

April 9 and 10 – Gethsemane Bible Baptist Church Anniversary – 15 Years

There were 62 people for the Saturday evening service. The children presented a song and Pastor Rogerio, Zipora, Bill, and Sharon sang a special. Bill preached on the theme **“The Message of the Cross.”** He said at the end of his message that we have been married 51 years and 50 years as missionaries in Brazil. We have taught and preached the **Message of the Cross** all these years and have seen the change in people’s lives after they accept Christ and follow Him.

Sunday morning, we had breakfast at the church and then Pastor Francisco preached. (He had helped us at the Bible Baptist Church in another neighborhood and helped in all the church constructions. He lives in Manaus, Amazonas.)

Sunday night some of the church people read verses presenting the message that Christ died for you and for me. Pastor Sebastião, member of the church in Caracarái, preached and we had a good attendance.

From the 5 churches that we started over these years someone was present from each of these churches. Praise God.



March - “Fishers of Men” campaign – Bible Baptist Church Caracarái

Over 30 visitors attended during the month campaign. They all enjoyed receiving and putting the “fish” in the net to represent their attendance.



April 16 – Wedding in Caracarái –

We traveled 2 hours by car to Caracarái to attend the wedding of a young lady that we have known since she was a little girl. She grew up in the church and still helps teach a Sunday School class of children. She is finishing her studies to be a nurse. Walline and Jeferson are musical, and both play instruments for the church services.

April 17 - Easter Services in Caracarái

We stayed for the church services and had 45 for the breakfast and morning service. Pastor Eloia brought a message on the Resurrection, and we enjoyed singing the songs we used to sing at the church years ago. The church people united for lunch, and we had a good time of eating and fellowshiping with the people. That night Bill preached, and we heard special singing from the adults as well as the young people. There were 75 in attendance.

Thank you so much for your prayers and faithful giving during this year of 2022. The Lord is blessing and without you we wouldn’t be able to continue our work here in Brazil.

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Your missionaries in Northern Brazil,

Months of February and March
THANK YOU!

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