



# The Smith's Missionaries to Brazil



Sharon and Bill

Dear Friends,

April 2023

**February – We received the title to the Alvorada church property.** This lady has been doing the legal work for us and now after three years we have the title. Praise the Lord all three churches in Boa Vista have titles.



One parsonage is in the final process and the other two are in the beginning process. Hopefully they won't take three years to receive.



Bill started with a cough and then was feeling bad on the 16th. We got him some medicine but then on Saturday, he started feeling really bad and we called the Pastor to take us to the Emergency room. Bill was hurting in the front of both legs and his back. The doctor said he had a urine infection plus the bad cold that was going around with all the coughing and sneezing. We came home and he started on the medicine. We didn't go to church on the 19<sup>th</sup> since he was coughing so much. He got better from the cold but still tires out easy and has to rest. The rains are stopping and now it is just sun and hot. Colds are more common now.

Sharon had an appointment with her Diabetic doctor on the 17<sup>th</sup>. The doctor said things looked pretty good but she was a little anemic so needed iron and B12 pills to take. She wants her to have an Ecocardiograma and do some more blood work before her next appointment in May with the doctor online.

**March – March 11<sup>th</sup>** the Church in Caracarai had their 4<sup>th</sup> Ladies Conference. A Pastor's wife from Boa Vista spoke about the theme, "A Chosen Vessel". They had over 116 for the meeting. We were planning to travel the 2 hours by car but Bill just wasn't feeling well. The church is growing and the Lord is blessing. They have had souls saved and baptized. The Pastor's wife enjoys doing plays and programs using the people of the church.



Sharon went to an Orthopedic doctor and he asked her to have x-rays done of her knees and back. On March 21<sup>st</sup> she went back to see the doctor. She has problems walking but he said the problem is caused by the left knee. He is going to give her a shot in the knee Monday, the 27<sup>th</sup> and that should help for a time until she has a knee replacement???. There is arthritis in both knees but nothing major with the back to cause the problem walking. Pray for us as we have these times of sickness and the aches and pains. We do praise the Lord for showing us the right doctors in the States and here in Brazil.

Thank you for your prayers and financial giving. "The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; and He knows who trusteth in Him." Nahum 1:7. "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." Prov. 3:5,6

When life wears us down – **God picks us up.**  
When stress overwhelms, **God offers peace.**  
When fatigue floods our souls, **God grants us strength.**

Your missionaries in Northern Brazil,

*Bill and Sharon*

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