



The Smith's Missionaries to Brazil



Sharon and Bill

Dear Friends,

November-December, 2023

NOVEMBER –On the 12th, Pastor Rogerio baptized 5 from the Bible Baptist Church Getsêmani. We praise the Lord for these five. The church doesn't have a baptistry so they rented an area with a swimming pool and place to have a meal. Everyone brought food and meat to do on the grill and we had a good time of fellowship with the church people plus the baptism.

Pastor Rogerio celebrated his 41st Birthday on November 23rd. The church had a special time after the service to give him presents and then we all enjoyed pizza.

The Bible Baptist Church of Caranã celebrated their 23rd church anniversary on November 25th. Pastor Bill read the History of how the church started back in 2000. Pastor Paulo's son, Paulo Filho, directed the church choir with the theme "**The Love of God**" I John 4:7.



DECEMBER – We invited the 4 Pastors and their wives to come to our house for Christmas lunch and fellowship on December 16th. There will be 10 adults. No children this year since they are all grown and married or on their own. We always have a good time and enjoy the good food each family brings.

We are staying busy with our daily activities as well as the activities of the 4 churches we help. The Lord is blessing and each church is growing. We would like to see more people in our churches like years ago but times have changed. **The Lord has not changed.** We just continue to do what we can to tell others about Christ especially at Christmas.

*This Christmas as we
CELEBRATE
The miraculous gift of
JESUS
May we share with others the
joy that knowing Him brings!*

*Let **Christmas** come into our world and bring us warmth and cheer,
Bring us **Faith** in place of doubt and strength in place of fear,
Bring us **Hope** and bring us **Love** to guide our hearts forever...
Let **Christmas** come into our world and bring us all together.*

We want to thank each one that contributes financially and prayerfully to us and the works here in Brazil. Without you we would not be able to do the Ministry we do. God bless each of you and your families this New Year of 2024.

Happy New Year of 2024!

Your missionaries in Northern Brazil,
Bill and Sharon
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