

Maria, a lady in her 70's from Venezuela has been attending our church. She is living in a small apartment beside the church. She doesn't speak Portuguese very well but does understand some. Pastor Rogerio has been talking with her and she wanted him to explain Salvation to her. She accepted the Lord and has been attending regularly. Pray for her.

May – We had 15 Mothers Sunday morning, May 11<sup>th</sup>. We had a special Breakfast for the mother's and church that morning.



We both got sick after Mother's Day and felt really weak. Bill had to call the Pastor to come and help him get Sharon up because she was so weak. We finally got some things to eat and the medicine we needed and we are both doing better now. This has been a rough time and we had to miss two Wednesday night services and one Sunday service. This was very unusual for us because we seldom miss a church service even when we don't feel well.

May 16<sup>th</sup> Pastor Rogerio started having a Friday afternoon service for the "60's and 70's" couples at the different houses. We have met five times with about nine or more present each time. We have a devotion, question and answer time and then an opportunity to share experiences we have had that marked our Christian life. This is a way to get to know each other better and it has been a blessing.



Two ladies had been saved and wanted to be baptized. May 18<sup>th</sup> the church had the baptism at a rented area with a pool and a place to prepare food to spend the day. The church had 30 or more that were able to attend. The ladies have been faithful in their church attendance.

Sharon injured her big toe back in April. The Pastor's wife grew up interior and she knew the medicines they used growing up so she started taking care of Sharon's toe. Each day it looked better. She took antibiotics and even had an x-ray taken to see if it was broken. It was not broken but the joint is damaged some and it looks swollen and turns to the right. Better now.

**June** - This month has been different since the rains have started. Some new leaks in the roof that need fixed. We still have sun but now mixed with rain. The temperatures are down so it is cooler and not as hot. We are only in the beginning of the rainy season so we pray there won't be any major flooding or damage.

There are a lot of services planned for the three churches here in Boa Vista as well as in Caracarai for June and July. We would like to be able to attend them all but for now we attend the one church where Sharon plays the piano and Bill directs music Sunday night. We try to attend the other churches for special services.

Thank you for your prayers and financial support. God bless each of you as you serve Him.

Your Missionaries serving in Northern Brazil, *Bill and Sharon* Bill and Sharon Smith

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