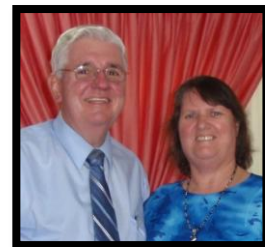




The Smiths

Missionaries to

Brazil



Bill and Sharon

Dear Friends,

February, 2013

January - The Christmas program and banquet went well with both churches. We didn't receive any Christmas cards this year due to the mail system but we were able to email and wish relatives and friends a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. It is already 2013! Wow! What will this year hold for each of us? We are looking forward to many blessings as we continue to serve the Lord here in northern Brazil.



Pastor Francisco returned to his church so now we are back to normal services at our congregation. His two children went to the northeast to visit relatives and will be returning the end of this month. Pray for them as they return home to Boa Vista. Their Mother passed away in March of 2012 so they have been living with relatives up until now. Pray they will all be able to continue on in the Lord's work here in Boa Vista.



The Anchor Baptist Church hosted the Preacher's Breakfast this year but only one Pastor and his wife were able to attend from Manaus. We had a good time of fellowship and he preached in all 4 churches here in the State of Roraima.

Pictured here are Pastors: Bill, Francisco, Paulo, Antonio-layman and Josemar.

Continue to pray for Katia, a 15 year old girl from our Church, that had to fly to the northeast for treatment on her eyes. She had a detached retina and other problems and was losing her sight. She was able to see a doctor and get treatment. She was released from the doctor but has not been able to get the return passage for her and her mother so pray this will be taken care of quickly and she can return to her home and the church services.



Both of us had the stomach flu or whatever it was and we weren't able to do much the first part of January. We celebrated Bill's Birthday on the 8th. Sharon invited the other churches to come for the service that night. Bill was surprised to see so many come to our Tuesday night church service.

They started working on our road to put in city sewer so all the roads are torn up in our neighborhood. The man holes are right in front of our driveway. Bill was able to witness to some of the men and found several that said they were christians but not serving the Lord.



February - The church in Caracarai will begin their Institute classes on the 18th and Pastor Luiz has asked our churches from Boa Vista to come for a special opening service. He said they have about 10 interested in studying. We are encouraging them and will be helping some with the teaching. The Institute will be a ministry of the Bible Baptist Church in Caracarai.

Thank you for being supportive of our efforts as we share the gospel message with the Brazilian people.

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Your missionaries in Brazil,

Months of December and January
Thank You!

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