

The Smith's Missionaries to Brazil



Bill and Sharon

Dear Friends,

Love, Peace, Joy, Happiness at Christmas May these be your gifts this Christmas

November-December 2021

October - Bill had his second cataract surgery and all went well. He still had some problems getting the eye to dilate but finally it did. It only took about 10 minutes to do the implant using laser. He is doing well and has great vision now. Praise the Lord for His protection and for a good eye doctor to perform the surgery.

November – We have been praying for over 30 years for John (João) to be saved. He attended church with us some in Caracarai back in 1980 but was never saved. His wife was saved and has been a big help to us over these many years. They moved to Boa Vista and attended services with us at the congregations we started. John brought his wife on a bicycle about 3 miles to church. We know good works does not save. Sunday night John made a profession of faith and even gave his testimony about knowing us all these years but now he wanted to be saved. Praise the Lord. Many tears of joy were shed that night.





November 22nd we were invited to a Birthday Party for Dolores 92 years young. We have known her since moving to Caracarai in 1978. Her and her husband were already saved and joined with us when we started the church there. Later they moved to Boa Vista. Her husband passed away, but she is still a prayer warrior. We know she will pray for us. It was a privilege to attend her birthday party. Bill was able to give some advice to her family about her faithfulness to the Lord.

We trust everyone had a <u>Happy Thanksgiving</u>. We couldn't find a turkey so we bought a chicken and had stuffing and pumpkin pie. That was good even if it was just the two of us. We are so Thankful for the Lord's Blessings upon our lives these

many years and for the people that pray and give that we might be Missionaries here in Brazil.

Sunday night the 28th we had a special about being thankful for God's Love, Provision and Forgiveness. Saying "Thank You" to God hardly seems like enough considering all His blessings to us. But whenever we do that, He gladly receives our praises.

November 27th the Bible Baptist Church in Caranã celebrated their 21st Anniversary. They invited Pastor Rogerio to preach Saturday night and then Pastor Eloia from Caracarai to preach Sunday morning. Pastor Paulo preached Sunday night. These Pastors graduated from the Bible Institute in Manaus and in Caracarai.

The Lord has blessed these Pastors and their churches. Pray the churches can grow in attendance and their love for the Lord.



Lord, bless those we love this Christmas Day, be they near or far away. Bless good friends who mean so much and those with whom we're out of touch. Bless them all, both young and old with all the love their hearts can hold. Bless them now and through the year with simple joys, good will, and cheer. We bring them all to you in prayer and ask you to keep them in your care.

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Your missionaries in Northern Brazil,

Months of <u>October and November</u> THANK YOU!

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