



News from

The Yelles

Serving the Lord in

Caxias do Sul, Southern Brazil



March 10, 2017

Dear friends,

How good it is that "we know that all things work together for good...."(Rm 8:28) We praise the Lord for this promise, for pastor Francisco and his wife Sulamita have made the decision to longer help at Independent Baptist Church. They are dedicating all of their time to the church plant in the suburb of Cruzeiro which is on the other side of the city. The Lord has used this situation to stimulate the members to step forward even more in our absence.

Maycon continues to lead in the song service, but has really taken the lead in coordinating. Vilson, who has had some seminary, is teaching during half of the weekly services. Praise the Lord he has been able to change some of his employment scheduling for this to be possible. His wife Doris, who also has had some seminary, continues to teach at the ladies meetings.

We rejoice with the presence of eight ladies at the March ladies meeting, and five children at Bible Club. We are thankful for Gabriele who is teaching the children. The first church we started in the city, which is now in national hands, is also helping with the teaching/preaching where Mario and Maycon are not able to fill in.

Praise the Lord the van continues running well so Maycon is able to run the route each service. His wife Djessica keeps the financial records. Iva continues to disciple her neighbor, Neusa. Please pray that Neusa will be baptized when we return to the field. Michele is already busy on the Easter decor for the auditorium.

As of this writing, our support level is short by nearly 25% of what we need to follow through with our ministerial goals. Praise the Lord that we have had some support increases by a couple of churches, and we have two new supporting churches. Besides rent for the current young work, we need an increase for the expenses of starting a new preaching point. Just before leaving for furlough, the Lord showed us an open door for another church plant. We need the funds for supplies, rent and utilities for this new mission work.

Prayer Requests:

- Summer scheduling and raising support
- Leila's pain management (our daughter who has scoliosis)
- Safety in John's travels
- Edification and strengthening of the Caxias do Sul congregation

Thank you all for your prayers for our ministry. The results in southern Brazil are fruit to your account!

Lord bless!

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