

News from

The Yelles

Serving the Lord in

Caxias do Sul, Southern Brazil



April 3, 2019

Dear friends,

With the church kids on summer break, the last two months were very busy. We spent extra effort on building relationships with our future adults around fellowship in the Lord. Hence, we had several special church activities that centered around the children and youth of our ministry.



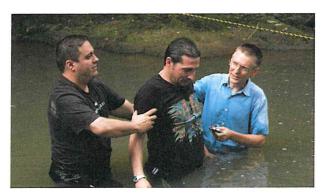
Youth at the zoo

January closed out with an outing with the youth to the zoo. Ten participated, and they all had a blast. In mid-February we hosted a one night mini youth retreat. Two boys and six girls participated. John and the boys slept in the garage, while the girls filled up the family room floor with Neila. The activities included two Bible studies and a Christian movie, as well as horseback riding and eating S'mores around a campfire. A noticeable result with our youth group was the strengthening of their bond in Christian friendship.

The week following the retreat we held two Vacation Bible Schools, one at each mission work. Through this ministry, we saw four children make professions of faith, and have new contact with three families.



Tuesday night VBS at Victory Baptist



Rafael (39yrs old) being baptized. He is physically handycapped due to a stroke three years ago.

In March we held our first baptismal service of the year. Warm weather allowed an outdoor baptism in a stream outside the city limits. Two adults, one adolescent, and two children were baptized. Our whole group was made up of thirty-five souls.

From May tenth through June twenty-fifth we will be stateside for both our son-in-law's Heartland Baptist Bible College graduation and to report to Georgia and Florida churches. The minstry in Brazil will be supported by the men of the churches, who will take turns teaching and preaching.

With our mission work increasing in attendance, we plan is to sell our five passenger car to purchase a seven passenger minivan. After researching the cost, we will need about \$7,000 more to make the purchase. Please be in prayer with us that the Lord will soon provide this.

Our prayer requests are:

- Evangelistic outreach and spiritual growth of both congregations.
- God's blessing in preparations for our short furlough.
- Funds supplied for the purchase of a newer, larger vehicle.

Once again, we thank you for your prayers for the ministry and for us. May God's blessings and grace be with you all.

In His service,

John & Neila Yelle

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