



# The Smiths Missionaries to Brazil



Sharon and Bill

Dear Friends,

**Boa Vista, Roraima, Brazil**

February, 2018

January - We started off the month with a small party at church for Bill's birthday on January 8, with 43 in attendance. He turned 69 years old so next year will be his 70<sup>th</sup> Lord willing. Everyone is invited to come to Boa Vista for the Big Party!!! Baby Andrew was born in Boa Vista early that morning and is now at home with his family in Caracari. Dad and Mom are members of the Bible Baptist Church.



We had 15 Pastors present for the Preachers Breakfast this year in Boa Vista on January 20<sup>th</sup>. We had 43 total with the families coming from Manaus, Amazonas, and from our churches in Roraima. It was good to see new faces and renew fellowship with Pastors we haven't seen for a long time. Saturday night the church had a special service for these Pastors as well as our church people.



We left our house at 6am and drove two hours to attend Vacation Bible School in Caracari. They asked Sharon to teach the Bible lesson on Josiah and the rest of the program was done by workers from the church. It was a blessing to see the Pastor and his wife leading the Bible School and to see some that were saved at the age of 9 still active in the work 35 years later.



When we returned to Boa Vista, Roraima in November of 2017, there were several new families attending the church. They were from Venezuela. Because of the crisis in that country people are coming to our city to get jobs and make a new life. We have 3 families and some others are coming as well. These are Christians and have been a blessing to our church and it is good to see them learning Portuguese plus teaching our people to speak Spanish as well. The languages are very similar, but we are having a little more trouble understanding the Spanish.



Pastor Rogerio is working with the few young people that are coming to church and now has about 12 on Saturday night for their meeting. Please pray for the Youth that they will choose to put the Lord first in their lives. Pastor Rogerio and Zipora are doing a great work with the church and the people have shown a real love for them and have helped them in many ways. They are going to stay at the church and we will be visiting and helping where needed in the churches.

**THANK YOU** for your prayers and support to us and the works here in Northern Brazil!

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Your missionaries in Northern Brazil,

Months of December and January

**Bill and Sharon**

THANK YOU

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