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**CROSSROADS BAPTIST CHURCH**

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Dear Prayer Partners,

June 30, 2019

Greetings from Brasil. May arrived with us celebrating Mother's Day. We had a great day with several mother's present along with family. The middle of the month we held a Graduation Ceremony for al of the girls involved in our Mensageiros do Rei (God's Messengers) ministry. There were six girls from the church in Jd Varginha along with one from Vargem Grande participating. What a blessing it was to see these young girls demonstrate for all present what they had been learning during the year. This ministry is still producing fruit in the lives of our young ladies at the church who have already completed the program. In fact one of the current girls is a younger sister of one that was an earlier participant and as such was an inspiration for her sister to also participate. The end of the month we held a joint baptismal service with the Primeira Igreja Batista (First Baptist Church) em Jd. Varginha. In all we baptized a total of 7 converts. I had the privilege of finally baptizing Gabriel, a faithful young man in our church.

In June, we had a special celebration at the church. On the 22<sup>nd</sup> we had a Festa de Noivado or Engagement Banquet. It is a cultural thing here in Brazil where family and friends are invited to celebrate the engagement of a young couple. When held at a church there is, of course, always a message challenging this newly engaged couple to continue to remain pure for each other and God until the wedding ceremony takes place. It was a special joy for me to preach this challenge since the bride to be I have known all of her life and the groom she evangelized preparing him for the day I won him to Christ. She too was a Mensageiro do Rei and it was through this that she learned how to evangelize someone with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Please pray for Janaina and Gabriel as they begin making preparations to get married after we return from our furlough.

Speaking of furlough, Atalias and I began our final preparations to begin our furlough this coming July. There is still much to be done logistically that unfortunately not everything will be completed that I had hoped to get done. As you know we are in the process of building a garage with mission's apartment on top at our home. The goal I had of how far to be along with the work will not be reached due to work delays for rain and other unexpected things. Still the work will continue while we are home on furlough.

Finally, please pray for Irmão Alexandre and his family. They will once again be taking care of the church in our absence. The people at the church love Alexandre and his family since he as also taken care of the church for us on previous furloughs

Once again, thank you for your faithfulness in supporting us financially and/or prayerfully through the years. The churches in Jardim Varginha and Vargem Grande are here today because you prayed and invested in God's work. Please continue to pray with us that we will continue to see an even greater Harvest of souls for the honor and glory of our Lord Jesus Christ in 2019.

Thankfully Received

May - June 219<sup>20</sup>

Special Offering or gifts \_\_\_\_\_

All Because of JESUS,

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