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Dear Prayer Partners,

December 31, 2021

Greetings from Brazil. 2021 has finally come to a close. Although it has been a year fraught with many trials, disappointments and unexpected turns, it has, at the same time, been a year of victory and God's blessings. Although Brazil, as a nation, does not celebrate Thanksgiving, many Brazilians still found reason to be thankful. During this past year we have experienced the loss of many friends and faithful servants of God be it pastors, missionaries or lay people due to Covid-19, and yet with all of the government restrictions in place, the work of the Lord still continued. Many of us have personally lost people we knew and take comfort in the fact that those who were saved we will one day see again, whereas all the others are in the hands of a just God.

Atalias and I are thankful that God has protected us this past year from contracting covid whereas many of our friends, church members and relatives were not so fortunate and were infected. Still, we are thankful for the healing that God provided each of them. And just like so many others in the ministry have heard people question God "Why?" in regard to covid-19, we see it as God fulfilling His Word as to the end times realizing that this pestilence is an indication of the soon coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Even as December brought about the conclusion of a difficult year for many, we rejoice in the blessing of new people at church, continued spiritual growth and increased faith in our people that dealing with all of the changes and restrictions that covid has brought about. Thus, in following our tradition, we met with many of our members on New Year's Eve to pray out 2021 thanking God for His blessings, provision and protection while praying in 2022 thanking God in anticipation, hope and faith in what we believe that He will do for us during this next year. As we phase out our provisional "live" via WhatsApp prayer services and return to our regular church based service, we are expecting great things from God as things are now slowly returning to normal. With the signs around us all pointing to the imminent return of our Lord we realize that our time to work is limited so pray with us as we take to mind **John 9:4; "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work."** And trust that God will give us an even greater harvest in 2022.

Once again, as always, 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 see an even greater Harvest of souls for the honor and glory of our Lord Jesus Christ in 2022.

Thankfully Received

All Because of JESUS,

November - December 240.00

Special Offering or gifts _____

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