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Bill Riffee - Pastor

February 12, 2020

Dear Pastor Gray,

Just a short note to again say thank you so very much for allowing Atalias and me to come and stay in your mission's house for an extended period of time during the month of January. It was such a blessing for us and of course the fellowship with you and the members of Harvest Baptist Church was wonderful as it always is. You and your people have always been so kind to us and we appreciate you and your generosity so much.

Once again, thank you for your faithfulness towards us and the opportunity of being with you. May God always bless you abundantly with souls saved and lives transformed for the cause of Christ.

Yours for Souls,

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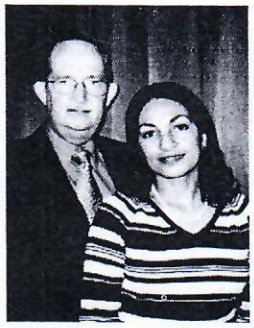

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Dear Prayer Partners,

February 28, 2019

Greetings from Brasil. What a year this is starting out to be. Only two months in and already turning upside down. Have you ever felt that you were in the target sights of someone? At the church in Vargem Grande we feel that the devil has put sights on the back of every member. In fact it is making me feel envious of the doctors and hospital workers who are spending more time with my members than they are spending at church. One thing happens to one member and then the next member gets struck. The question that arises is who is going to be next. The only thing that we really know for sure is that God is STILL on His Throne and nothing can change that.

First, a former member and her husband were headed to town on their motorcycle when they were hit head on by another couple on a motorcycle in their lane passing a bus on a curve while exceeding the speed limit. The other couple was not injured but Fernando seriously injured an elbow while Janielle wound up with a broken femur, broken knee, broken ankle along with other diverse injuries. She will be bedridden for several months but at least stated that God know has her complete attention. Elzaphan was on her way to church when she stumbled on lose gravel and broke the little toe on her right foot. Josefa was working with some cleansing materials when caustic soda got knocked over and spilled into a 2 liter bottle containing another cleansing agent. There was a violent chemical reaction causing the mixture to spew upward out of the bottle hitting her in the eye causing a severe burn. Several days later the eye ruptured necessitating emergency surgery and a cornea transplant. In reality this was a blessing in disguise because had her eye not ruptured she would have had to wait at least a year for this surgery so Romans 8:28 comes into mind. Others have experienced flooding in their homes or roofs on their houses being damaged from the intense storms that have hit the area. In fact we were delayed for 3 hours trying to get home after a visit with one of our members because the storm flood an area of the road we take to get between the church and home. Even we have been affected. Car mechanical problems and a recent storm's lightening caused an electrostatic discharged that zapped and burnt out the electronic circuit cards that control our automated gate at the entrance to our house along with the security camera. I figure we must be doing something right if the devil is attacking the entire church with such force.

On the brighter side, Gabriel has completed the discipleship course and we will be marking a date to baptize him. We have an additional 3 people involved in the same course but at different stages of completion. We hope to complete the course with them and baptize them before returning home in July for our next furlough.

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.

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Dear Prayer Partners,

February 29, 2020

Greetings from Florida. We started off the year in Arizona where we quickly discovered "Where is Elmer Fudd when you need him?". Yes, we too had an encounter with a pesky wabbit and I think it was one of Bugs Bunny's relatives. While giving a report at several of our churches in Arizona we had a rabbit climb up into the engine compartment of the van and begin to treat one of the wire pigtails like it was a carrot. He chewed through the wire breaking the contact of the wire that goes to the brake master cylinder sensor switch thus the brake light on the dash panel remains on at all times. A little inconvenient but workable. Thankfully this is the worst of our car problems to date. I guess the devil must have been mad at us and was trying to get even for the soul we had saved a few weeks earlier in Junior Church. So far, we have been able to be in several new churches in the Midwest but no new support as of yet. We would ask that you pray that the Lord will touch hearts to take us on for much needed support before returning to the field.

February led us to a Round Robin Missions Conference in Western Kansas. We were able to meet some new pastors and have great fellowship with their people. We were also able to spend some time with some former fellow missionaries and talk about old times going back more than 30 years. What a blessing that was. After taking care of some document work in Kansas we continued onto Texas for a week before heading off to Louisiana and Florida. After three days of constant rain we were thinking that we night need to trade the van for a boat to get to were we were going, not to mention cooler than normal weather. Finally, the sun came out and the temperature returned to normal and we will be spending the next few weeks here in Florida before heading north to New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Michigan and Ohio. We are anxious to finish up this June and head back to Brazil the end of July.

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

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