

THE LANTZ FAMILY

MISSIONARIES SERVING IN SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL

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Dear Prayer Partners,

June 30, 2022

Greetings from Brazil. The end of May and the first few weeks of June we were able to make a quick trip to the states to attend my long awaited and delayed 50th High School Reunion. Due to being on the field I missed my 30th, 40th and 45th reunions. It was a wonderful time of seeing classmates I hadn't seen in a very long time. Some for over 30 years. As before we had a Saturday Prayer Breakfast for those who wished to attend. Not bad for a public school when you think of it. Many of the classmates that attended had been saved long after graduation. I was one of two who were asked to be a guest speaker. He theme was "A Friend that Sticketh Closer Than A Brother...Do You Know Him...Jesus (Proverbs 18:24). I shared with them that the real question is not "Do You Know Jesus," but "Does Jesus Know You" based upon what we find in Matthew 7:23. The application is that Jesus, being God, knows everything about everyone but that doesn't mean that He knows everyone on a personal basis. And that's because He has not been personally introduced to them which is our job to do. That's why Jesus is our Personal Savior because He knows those who have received Him as Savior personally. I shared with them that for 36 years I have had the privilege of introducing Jesus to the Brasilian people so that they and Jesus can know each other personally. The message was well received, and many positive comments were made about it.

Unfortunately our trip was not without some complications and setbacks, We had brought back Atalias' computer with us to recover the data on her hard drive and transferred to an external Hard drive. Her computer would no longer power up. Upon arrival we retrieved my old computer our of storage because I needed information still on its hard drive. It booted up fine but due to a low battery I shut it down in order for the battery to charge. It never booted up again. According to my computer analyst my hard drive did not just crashed but died and its data was not recoverable by normal means. We thus scrapped my hard drive and placed Atalias' hard drive in my old computer, so Atalias once again has a working backup computer to use.

All in all, the trip was a good one and the first vacation we have taken in over 15 years. We were able to see family and friends and preach at our sending church. Yet the entire time we were stateside, we were missing our people at the work in Brazil. We were never happier the entire trip than the moment we landed back in São Paulo. They say that home is where your heart is and that is true. Our hearts are here in Brazil doing the work GOD has called us to do and the privilege of being participants in the work of the Holy Spirit to see Brasilians trust Jesus as their Personal Savior.

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

May - June <u>200.00</u>

Special Offering or gifts _____

All Because of JESUS,

Jerry & Atalias Lantz

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