



JERRY & ATALIAS

THE LANTZ FAMILY

MISSIONARIES SERVING IN SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL

An Extension of the World Wide Mission Ministry of The
CROSSROADS BAPTIST CHURCH

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Dear Prayer Partners,

August 31, 2023

It is hard to believe how fast 2023 is passing us by. During July we took care of the church in Jardim Varginha for a few weeks so that Pr. Vicente and his family could take a much needed vacation. Also in July Atalias helped with a special children's day activity in Jardim Varginha. She taught a lesson on the World's First Sin. Raquel, an 11 year old visitor who attended, thought that there was no way that she could be a sinner. Being raised catholic she was taught by her priest that only thieves and murderers were sinners so there was no way that she possibly could be one. Atalias took time to share with her the scriptures and once she realized that she, like everyone else is a sinner, she gladly received Jesus Christ as her personal Savior.

Also in July, we celebrated my 40 years since being approved as a missionary to Brazil with World Baptist Fellowship Missions. In truth it doesn't seem like it has been that long, but time really flies by when serving the Lord.

August started out with having some former members return to become members once again. They had left at the beginning of the pandemic while we were on our last furlough but were rejoicing to be back. We also had a young married couple unite with the church. Since we now have several young married couples, we are beginning a new class for them on Sunday evenings at 5 PM. Our main purpose for this class is to instruct them in ways to help them grow closer together as a couple in the Lord as a new family and what it is and means to serve the Lord together as a couple instead of as individuals only. Please pray that this class will be a blessing and great help to these couples.

Finally we would ask that you remember Pr. Euripedes. He is a Brazilian pastor who has been a church planter and missionary in Brazil for the last 30 years. He has been diagnosed with cancer and was being treated with chemotherapy but has been unable to have any treatments for the past three months. The previous administration had halted production of his particular drug feeling that it was no longer needed and now, as such, it is now very difficult to obtain. The new administration has resumed production but there is no timetable yet as to when it might become available. What remains of what was already produced is extremely limited and very expensive to purchase when found. Please pray that this medication will soon be available again so that Pr. Euripedes can resume his treatments.

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 2023.

Thankfully Received

All Because of JESUS,

July - August 200.00

Special Offering or gifts _____

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