

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, October 31, 2024

September came with our annual picnic celebrating Brazilian Independence Day, but more importantly to reflect upon our independence from the wages of sin that we have in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. Our nephew Melquisedeque, who happens to be a history teacher, made up a history quiz concerning Brazilian Independence to check just how much everyone remembers from their school days. It was interesting to discover how much everyone remembered and the gratitude in having freedom especially religious freedom in Brazil. September also brought about the election in Brazil for everything except the President. Unlike in the states, if no candidate gets over 50% of the vote, there is a runoff between the top two vote getters a month later which took place in October. Also, voting is mandatory for everyone over 18 and the election takes place on a Sunday, so our early Sunday evening Ladies and Men's meetings needed to be cancelled to give everyone a chance to vote and get back for the normal Sunday evening service.

Most of October was spent remodeling the sanctuary at the church in Jardim Varginha getting it ready for the anniversary service scheduled for November 16th. Pastor Vicente was saved as a young person in this church and later became the pastor since 2006. He has invited Pastor Honorio to be the special speaker, so we ask that you pray for a special blessing for all those in attendance.

We would ask that you continue to pray for Gabriel's mother as we continue to disciple her. There are still some areas of Bible doctrine that she is having problems grasping because of past false teaching but she is starting to come around.

Also we ask that you pray that God would send our way the people that we have met on visitation who have promised to visit but have yet to appear for a service. As the time is approaching for our Lord's return, we find that the indifference to the things of God is growing stronger and wider spread. The cares of this world are taking preeminence in the hearts and lives of those that need Christ the most.

Lastly we would ask that you pray for God to send more laborers into His field. We has to cancel our scheduled furlough for this year due to not having anyone to take over or care for the work. As it looks now, we will need to wait for 2026 to come home. We know that God has a purpose in this so in the mean rime we will remain faithful to do the work to which He has called us.

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 2024.

Thankfully Received All Because of JESUS,

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