

Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,



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On Saturday, November 2nd Naomi and I were asked to visit a young man by the name of Marcão (Big Mark). He is the owner of the largest tavern in town. He had recently suffered a stroke and is paralyzed on his right side. His girlfriend (Joyce) answered the door and invited us in. I asked him if he knew if he was to die where he would go. He affirmed that it would be hell so for the next hour and half I explained the gospel to him. He intently listened. Realizing his condition before God and need of His free gift He asked God to forgive him and save him by His grace. Please pray that he will start a Bible study. It will have to be verbal since his stroke left him without the ability to write.

We heard through our son-in-law (Thiago, who is a dentist) that a Doctor friend from Formiga (Dr. Wander and his wife Monica) wanted to come and visit us. Saturday, November 16th they arrived and we were able to take them to lunch and spend the afternoon together. Though they love us, they are not very open to the gospel at this time.

The wife of the deceased owner of our rented church building, has come to special events our church. Naomi and I went to present the gospel to her personally December the 7th. Maria, on Naomi's left, listened intently and declared, "Ever since my husband died, I have wondered, 'How can I know what will happen to me when I die! Now I understand and, THAT is what I want!" The daughter who had also listened, declared, "I want that too!" What joy was ours to bring a mother and daughter to the Lord at the same time!

We LOVE this time of year as our hearts remember with joy God's great love for us in sending His only Son, Jesus, to pay our sin debt that we might live with Him eternally. Our Anna was able to join us for a few days, and we rejoiced at what all the Lord has done in and through her life this past year. We, as a church in Carmo do Rio Claro, praised the Lord together on New Year's Eve as we remembered His goodness to us this last year. We look forward to what He will do this new year of 2020. May He find each of us faithful!

We pray that each of you had a very blessed Christmas, and we wish you a very Happy New Year as you serve our Savior. Thank you for making it possible to partner with you here in Brazil. We send our deep gratitude for each Christmas gift sent to us.





Bro. Bob, Normi and Family