

May 9, 2018

Dear friends and church families,

These past couple months have been full of blessings. We keep on keeping on!

Do you get a fueled excitement when a person you know places their faith in Christ and obeys the Lord in baptism? I love baptismal services because of these truths and the public declaration that it is! The first Sunday in May, we had a baptismal service for Raul at the church anniversary conference at Biblical Faith Baptist Church in Lami. Several friends and family members came to see the baptism and we had a wonderful day. Please pray for Raul as he joyously follows Christ.

Recently I had dinner with Pastor Nathan and Sarah Ring and a couple whom they have been witnessing—Robson and Agatha. Robson and his family have been in spiritism for many years, attending the house groups. Robson said to me, “I stopped going. If you can talk directly to God, why go through the spirits?” Later in the evening he declared he had chosen to placed his faith and trust only in Christ. **It was incredible to hear**. It was evident that the conversations he had had with Pastor Nathan and Sarah throughout the past couple of years had made an impact in his life. It was a true blessing to see the openness and reception of Robson and Agatha that night. Please pray for Agatha’s salvation and for Robson to take spiritual steps of growth.

In **Vila Nova** we have had visitors from different church backgrounds, who often move on. However, we have one family attending who has made a profession of faith but come from a confused doctrinal background. Please play for Eliazer and Angelica as they filter their former learning and grow in the teaching they are now receiving.

**A few prayer requests:**

1. That our ladies with new jobs will stay faithful to services
2. For the men to grow in the Lord: Leandro, José Luiz, Arilson
3. Salvation of Marcio, André, Rodrigo, Eden

My tween girls still come out to soul-winning/blitzing each week. They are a blessing! My children’s class has recently been focused on answering questions about evolution and providing a Biblical basis for creation. João Victor and Gabriel, from VBS, have been coming to church each week. We are thrilled to see their faithfulness. João Victor has placed his faith in Christ. **Gabriel** has not made a decision; **please pray for his salvation.**