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Partner's Update

Summer's Glory in Brazil !

This summer 2011 God's Spirit moved among us to display His glory through His people. When God's people reflect the glory of His Son, ***lives are changed***. Mission Teams and individuals came thousands of miles to worship HIM with the Brazilian people. They confessed Jesus as Lord, they gave up their personal time they could have had back at home to serve Him but, with humility, served Him instead in Brazil . People felt the presence of God. During their stay many understood the steps needed in order to further the greater vision of Apascentai Minhas Ovelhas. This summer our Father God blessed us with many wonderful people who have a passion to serve and make things happen! What a tremendous family we have!

Some of our Spiritual family that joined us this summer on missions.....

University Baptist Church Miami, Fla.!

Texas Baptist Men!

LifePoint-Smyrna, TN. !

& AMO's Interns! Natasha, April, & Callie

and our own daughter, Jessica!

Thank you

FBC of St. Pete,

Grace Church of Lakeland,

FBC Shelburn

and our precious faithful individual supporters.

Misery in the favelas.....

These children, along with their mom, Elisangela, live in a little cubicle with no running water, no toilet, and no way of taking regular baths. They smell very badly and the lice and mange from the dogs has eaten into their scalps. They sometimes go many days without meals or any proper nutrition. (Left): The little boy that Alfredo & Katie are holding, Joao Lucas, had a twin who died at birth. A few months ago Joao was in intensive care with malnutrition and dehydration and was fighting for his life. His biological father was released from prison recently but is very violent and just came for a few visits.

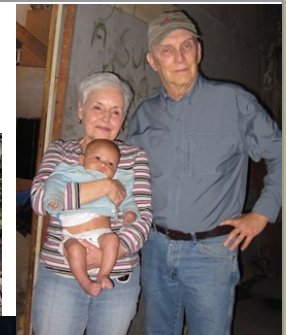


Elisangela left home when she was 13 and hadn't seen her mother for many years. One of our volunteers, Robson, found out that her mother is living in a city very near our AMO campus. He made contact with her and, via cellphone, reunited mother and daughter. Tears flowed down Elisangela's face as she spoke to her mom. Occasionally, on the days that our teams visit and minister in the favela where she lives, the mother will send with us "care packages" of hot food, groceries, milk to help Elisangela and her kids. What she really wants though is to temporarily live with her mother but the stepfather won't allow it. He says that she must "suffer for her mistakes". Pray that the grace of God can be shown upon this woman and that we can help her get out of the favela before something tragic happens to the kids.

Texas Baptist Men—on mission in Brazil

Water Purification Systems

We would like to thank the Texas Baptist Men's organization for another donation of 1000 water filters! What a blessing the filters have been, not just for those who are benefitting from them, but for our ministry as well. They have proven to be a wonderful evangelism tool and great door openers. We host several international mission teams per year and we teach them how to present the gospel using the filters. It's an amazing sight to see junior and senior high school kids giving the Gospel for the very first time using this method. Bob, Chairman of the Water Ministry for TBM, and his wife Leah have been such an encouragement to us and the AMO team. Leah thanks for blessing the children and helping out Jodi in the kitchen!



Bob & Leah visiting in the favelas; church members washing buckets to be used for filters; Carlee (right) presenting the Gospel using the filter



Impacting the next generation!

The week we spent with Ed Sandlin, Retiree Builder for TBM, sharing the vision of the biggest facility in AMO's vision, it became evident that God had brought us together. This facility interested Ed because of the impact it would have on lives into the next generation. This next giant step would help facilitate all of AMO's future ministries including space to start a home for neglected children and orphans. TBM is willing to provide labor for building all the interior walls, electrical work, plumbing and finishing touches but AMO needs to come up with structural costs and materials. Look soon for more details in coming updates.



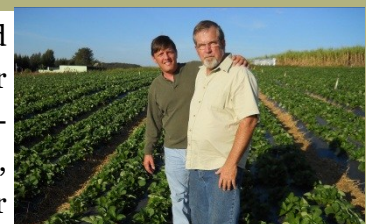
Researching & pricing materials at local lumber yard.

Agriculture



Roy explaining about the care of fruit trees.

With lack of water, seemingly unfertile land, diseased fruit trees...can this ever be a garden of Eden? After church service young and old followed Roy, VP of Agricultural Committee for TBM, around AMO's property, learning of the possibilities of how we can further our existing agriculture efforts into wonderful possibilities for greater production. We discovered ways to grow gardens with little water, make our own compost piles, and how to salvage most of our fruit trees. Great encouragement came as Roy began re-



Pete & Roy visiting a local strawberry plantation.

searching and using his knowledge and then concluded that we could just about grow anything here!

University Baptist Church of Coral Gables! Brazil loves you!

During this Summer's Glory we felt the love, care and fellowship with a mission team from our sending Church, UBC. Wow! What a blessing it was to share with them what God has been doing in Brazil first hand. Because of UBC's faithfulness in giving and their eternal love for missions many lives have been touched and transformed by the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.



While here the team sponsored and assisted with an entire all day event at AMO's Campus for our Embrace-a-Child children from Campinas and Jarinú. They gave out Water filters in the favelas to people in need of the gospel and in need of living water. Visits were made, hearts comforted, people blessed, clothes given out, food, medication and vitamins given from door to door, bible studies in homes, testimonies were shared and wonderful church services took place during the week.

It was great sensing and feeling UBC's love on the field through the mission team. UBC has wonderful, sincere people who walk with Christ on Missions! They have a tremendous heart to take His loves to other nations no matter what the cost.

Pray for AMO's ability in the future to broadcast, live, by way of UBC, some of our church services!

Thank you UBC for blessing our family and ministry for so many years.



AMO Distributor & Partners with BTCP

We are excited to see this next step into AMO's own vision! After meeting with Bible Training Center for Pastors (BTCP) in Atlanta late last year and holding a BTCP workshop at the AMO Campus in Brazil, we have, since the first quarter of 2011, been distributing BTCP's 10-course bible training for Pastors all across Brazil reaching close to 1,400 students! What great training tool AMO has for the future in training lay pastors for the ministry of the gospel!

The goal of Bible Training Centre for Pastors is to produce pastors and leaders who will be used by God to contribute to the spiritual growth of the local church and thus bring glory to our Lord Jesus Christ!



Prayer Requests

- For the strength of our team here in Brazil
- For outreach in evangelism
- That we will be able to travel, as a family, to the U.S. Soon. We have 3 other girls under our care and many things need to be resolved in order to plan this trip.
- For help creating a new website!
- For the Cooperative program to be fruitful & that the young girls can minister to others through it

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* *please note: in the next few
months we will be shutting
down our current email
address and using just the new
ones. *Please make note of this*

*Shining the light of Jesus Christ
in the favelas (slums) of Brazil*

Saturday Missions

The church that we formed at the A.M.O. Campus is a mission-minded one. Church members pray for and help minister to those less fortunate living in the favelas (slums). Many of them accompany us on weekly mission trips and help alongside our leaders in evangelism, teaching children's classes, visitation, leading Arts/crafts classes and delivering



Hundreds of home baked cookies to give to the children in the favelas.

ing donated clothing. There are times when some have to stay behind as there is not enough room in the vehicle for everyone!

Some of our members have taken it upon themselves to do special projects such as making homemade patch style blankets out of discarded clothing. Not only is this a great way to take advantage of usable pieces of material but they provide extra warm covering for families who live in cold, drafty wooden huts.



Maria, left, presenting a hand made blanket to a family in Favela Moinho.

AMO's Cooperative Program

.....50% profit goes to God!

With much drive and determination Daniela, Mayara, Marcela and Karoline, ages 14 to 17, started their own "business". They went after free classes to learn how to paint dish towels, raised the initial capital to start their project, and then sold approximately \$1,200.00 reais (+/- \$ 750 dollars) worth of items to our partnering churches and friends. And, if that weren't amazing enough, they donated 50% of their profits back to their (our) church A.M.O.!



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