



Scott and Donna
ALLEN
 Missionaries in Brazil

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Greetings, Pastor, and our esteemed fellow laborers in Christ,

LIVING BY-FAITH ADVENTURES

With the Lord's help, we've been steadfastly immersed in our work and regular routines. Donna dedicates herself tirelessly to our children's ministry and is deeply grateful for Sister Suellen's invaluable support each Sunday. The children eagerly gather, drawn in by Donna's storytelling in American Portuguese as she teaches the Bible stories. Though language barriers persist, God graciously aids her efforts, occasionally through the children helping her with word pronunciation.

Brother Izailton has been a tremendous blessing, contributing to Sunday evening Scripture readings and occasionally leading our Wednesday services. His wife, Samara, diligently serves as our church secretary, while their thirteen-year-old daughter, Eloah, plays the piano in each service. Meanwhile, fourteen-year-old Isaac is also a blessing, fervently learning the guitar and allowing God to use him in our music ministry. Ryanne, Isaac's mother, serves as our church treasurer and a tremendous blessing to the Lord's work here.

Finding a place to live proved to be quite an adventure. Initially, the challenge stemmed from the limited availability of rental properties. Additionally, navigating cultural customs added another layer of complexity. For instance, it's not uncommon in Brazil to encounter homes without kitchen sinks and faucets, requiring tenants to furnish their own. Donna, however, sought a residence already equipped with these essentials. Thankfully, her prayers were answered, and we rejoice in God's provision. We've secured a home to call our own, and as a wonderful bonus, it's conveniently located near the church. Praise the Lord!

PRAISES AND PRAYER PETITIONS

Donna and I were thrilled to receive exciting news from the States. We're about to welcome another grandbaby into our lives! Our daughter, who married in California last December, is expecting and will welcome the newest addition to our family in November. We can't wait to meet little baby Sagana!

We're excited about a new family considering joining our church: Bruno, his wife Natalia, and their three-year-old daughter Anna-Julia. After completing a ten-week discipleship course in their home, we've witnessed remarkable spiritual growth in their understanding of God's word. During our discussions, we also addressed the topic of Bible versions, and they graciously accepted a new Bible in the version used by our church.

Please pray for Daniel, his wife Samara, and their three children: Davi, Daniel, and Emanuel. This family has faced significant challenges as they've allowed worldly influences to impact their lives. Recently, these challenges have led to the breakdown of their family and home. Let's pray for God's guidance and healing in their situation.

Please pray for a significant gathering planned for our church this week. We've been graciously invited by the owners of a restaurant/Inn and their family to have this meeting at their restaurant/Inn. Three other churches will be joining us, and, as of now, an estimated thirty individuals will convene there. The location of this Inn is quite remote, requiring a journey of over two hours by car for us and more for the other churches, with the final stretch encompassing approximately ten kilometers of unpaved road. We earnestly pray for God's blessing upon this gathering, particularly praying for the salvation of the hosting family.

Donna and I are deeply grateful for your unwavering support and prayers, which are invaluable to this ministry. Thank you all so much - Scott and Donna Allen

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