Goodness

Praise and Prayer Report gracious, 2023 is flying by! It was a busy winter for us here. God has been so good to us and we're excited to share what the Lord's done over the past few months.

The Putnam Family pindamontangaba, Brazil We had our very first missions conference in June. Bro. Tim Barrett preached for us and we had 2 ladies trust Christ during the conference. The people really seem to have caught on to the vision of faith promise giving. None of the folks had ever participated in a faith promise program before and it was exciting to see the folks commit over \$150 monthly to this.

As I mentioned we had 2 ladies saved during the conference. One was Aline. She is 31 and lives not far from the church. She had reached out to me asking for prayer for her spiritual life. We had made a visit with her and spent several hours with her witnessing to her and her mom Ivanilda. Neither had made a decision during that visit, but just a week later during the conference, Aline was saved. Her mom came just a few weeks later for a Sunday evening service and also trusted Christ. Please pray for this family to continue to grow. Kelvin, Aline's 15-year-old son, needs to be saved as well.

As a result of our first commitment to faith promise, we are excited about partnering with another missionary. Bro. Josiel is a missionary in northern Brazil and, Lord willing, in September I will be going on a mission's trip with 3 other men to visit him and try and be a blessing to him and his young family. Please pray for the needed funds and God's blessing as we make this trip.

Mrs. Inês just moved to Pinda a little over a month ago and lives just down the street from the church. She's been coming faithfully since. We visited with her and she told us of her son, daughterin-law, and 3 grandkids that need to be saved and get back in church. Her 15-year-old granddaughter Jackie has many problems. Jackie came to the Wednesday evening service last week and then the following Sunday the whole family was in church. Please pray for Leonardo, Aline, Hugo, Jackie, and Lucas. Inês has a heart to see her family reached and it's been awesome to see God use her already in the short time that we've known her.

Bro. Allen and his group of 24 others will be with us already next week (August 1-7). We have 40k John and Romans and invites that we'll be distributing throughout Pinda. Unfortunately, the container with our John & Romans did not arrive in time, but thankfully we should have just enough to put together to be able to reach the majority of our city. Please pray for this effort as well as the anniversary conference that we will be having on August 5 and 6. We will be having a teen revival on the 5th. Please pray for many souls to be saved and that Christ would be exalted by this effort.

> We are all doing well. The kids just started school and we're excited for another productive year of growth and learning. It was a blessing to have my sister Olivia with us for a few weeks in June. May the Lord continue to use your life for His honor and glory as we strive together for the sake of the Gospel!

> > Love in Christ,

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