The Tyler Family

Reaching the World Through Brazil ... acts 1:8

Dear Prayer Partners,

November - December 2022

Merry Christmas! I pray that this Christmas will bring a time of joy for you and your family as you think on the birth, life, death, resurrection, second coming and eternity of our Savior Jesus Christ.

As we look forward to a new year and the work of the Lord here in Cacoal for 2023, we want to thank each of you for your continued faithfulness in praying for us, supporting us, and encouraging us in the Lord's work. This past year has been a year of learning for us.

Our desire is to establish a church here in Cacoal that is in every way independent, indigenous and self-supporting. The Lord has allowed us to make great strides toward this goal in 2022. One of our main goals in 2023 is to train laborers. This is a difficult task. Faithfulness and willingness are a key part in serving the Lord. Pray with us that God would raise up such people to be trained.

We have seen missionaries start churches that have dozens of ministries, choirs, and Sunday School classes. Many of those same churches have a hard time finding pastors to fill in or to take over for missionaries. It would be great if we could avoid this issue. However, we don't wish to be lazy in any way. We want to be wise and develop ministries that the church people can carry on without our help. This is a very difficult task. Prayer is our only hope! "Lord, please send Brazilian laborers into your harvest in Cacoal." Will you help us pray this way?

In 2023, we are praying God will allow us to start a ministry in our town to reach children. We will have training in the first few months of the year preparing workers to help with this ministry. Please pray with us as we reach out to the next generation in Cacoal. There are many areas of town with needy families to whom we must take the Gospel. Pray that children will come to Christ and that through the children we can reach parents.

Though we have a good group, I firmly believe that we need new people in the church for it to thrive. Without visitors, new attendees, new salvations, new baptisms, and new members, the church can easily become cold and indifferent to a lost world. May God ignite a burning fire in the hearts of all our people to witness and share the good news of salvation with those around us.

We planned several Christmas activities for December. There was a Christmas Tea for the ladies on the 3rd where several visitors were present. The ladies' enjoyed a special time of fellowship as well as teaching from God's Word. The children will be presenting something special on December 18th and a special Christmas service is planned for the 25th. Christmas is very different in Brazil. In the blistering heat with snowy decorations, we still want to honor the Lord Jesus.

This will be a special Christmas for us. Josiah is on his way home and will arrive this weekend! We are all looking forward to spending time together.

Reaching the World through Brazil,

Jesemy Tolke

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." - Isaiah 9:6