



Outreach in Eight Brazilian Prisons

Last year while we were in Brazil, the Lord opened the door for us to share the Gospel in several prisons. While the prison officials reluctantly allowed us limited access to some of the prisoners, I was able to visit the wardens of each prison and share personally about our ministry and to initiate a friendship with the prison leadership. Since the ministry in the prisons last year, our Brazilian ministry partners have continued to visit and minister in one of those institutions each week on Tuesdays. This year the consistent outreach and relationship building in the prisons have opened wide the doors for me to share the Gospel. Wardens of almost every prison have embraced me this year with open arms and told me that our ministry and I have an open door to minister there. The smallest prison we ministered in had about 500 inmates, and the largest had over 6,000. A team of Brazilian Christians joins me in leading evangelistic services each time we visit. We take our own portable sound system, which has to be set up and taken down repeatedly as we move from one section of the prison to the next. We usually minister in sections or pods that contain 250 to 400 inmates at a time. During our prison outreach this year, thousands of inmates have bowed on their knees publicly and cried out to ask Jesus Christ to be their Savior. These prisons are spiritually dark places that represent the uttermost in every sense of the word.





Five Crusades in Brazil

I boarded a plane headed for Brazil on November 1st, and I am still in Brazil as I write this newsletter. My plan is to conduct crusade services in five different areas of Recife and surrounding cities. The first crusade was held under a large interstate overpass in a highly populated area of the city which has a lot of homeless people, drug dealers and users, prostitutes, teenagers hanging out with friends, and local residents using the underpass as a foot path to move from one area of the city to another. Street vendors were set up everywhere selling food and hawking every kind of trinket you can imagine. The bridges and walls were covered with vile graffiti. Six lanes of rush hour traffic passed directly over our heads during the services. This unique venue was turned into a sanctuary where we lifted up the name of Jesus and preached the Gospel. Our Brazilian ministry partners distributed Gospel tracts, sang in choirs and praise teams, and served as ushers. Many people responded publicly to surrender their lives to Jesus Christ at both this crusade and at others conducted in Brazil. We also ministered to people's

physical needs after the crusade by feeding a nutritious hot meal to the homeless and the low income residents. Thank you for partnering with us to help reach a lost world with the love of Jesus Christ.



Prayer Requests

December 3

Preaching

Highland Park Baptist Church

Mount Airy, NC

December 10

Preaching

Siloam Baptist Church

Harrells, NC

January 15 - February 5

Crusades

Tanzania

February 15-20

Crusade

Argentina

February 21-25

Crusade

Chile

Merry Christmas

Our family wishes you and your family a very Merry Christmas. Carla has been busy decorating our home for the holidays, and I am anxious to get home and enjoy the Christmas season with family. I have been home very little this year and look forward to ministering closer to home in December. During the busyness of this season, let's keep the focus on the birth of our Savior. This is a wonderful time for us to share Jesus Christ with our own children, grandchildren, and extended family. I challenge you to take the lead in your family of making sure none of your loved ones miss the true meaning of this Christmas season.

