

April 10, 2019 Dear Praying Friends,

"For thou art my lamp, O Lord: and the Lord will lighten my darkness." 2 Sam 22:29

Thank you for your prayers on our behalf.



We have been in Brazil for one month now. We asked for prayer to know God's will for our future ministry here in Brazil, and we now know that our ministry will be located in Rolândia, Paraná. God has definitely shown us to stay in Londrina to help with this new congregation of 10 people that was started 8 years ago by the Maranatha Baptist Temple in Londrina, Paraná. The work is 35 minutes from Londrina.



We will be working alongside of Bro. Gilberto and his family to help this group of people to grow and develop. Bro. Gilberto is a barber, but he believes that God has called him to the ministry. We will be training and preparing him to eventually take the full leadership of the work in Rolândia. Bro. Gilberto is one of four men who are studying for the ministry in the church in Londrina. Don will be involved in teaching and preparing these men as well.



Bro. Sérgio is one of the men with whom the church was started. He and his family have been very faithful since the work started in their home. He is the song leader, and his college age son is the pianist. Bro Sérgio recently purchased a piece of property and is developing it so that it can be used for church retreats. We are thankful that the work has this faithful family as a foundation.



Bro. Benedito has been a faithful member as well. Many times, he not only attends the work in Rolândia, but has taken an hour bus ride to be in Londrina for Sunday school and Wednesday night services.



We thank the Lord that we have music in this congregation. In our last work, we went for 6 years without any instrument. For now, we will continue to have services on Thursday and Sunday evening. As the work grows, we will add Sunday school. The congregation purchased some land in a very good area of town and is preparing to begin construction on a building.

Your servants in Jesus Christ,

Don + Tinda Leaf

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