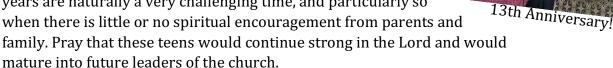
Dear Praying Friends,

Praise the Lord for His faithfulness. Though right now the ministry here is not experiencing the rapid growth that we would love to see, we know that the gospel is being

preached, and that God is doing a work in people's hearts. We continue to have visitors frequently, and we are praying that we would be able to see these people saved and added to the church here. As we continue to work with the teenagers here, we ask for your prayers on their behalf. Several of them are going through major struggles and times of change in their lives. The teenage years are naturally a very challenging time, and particularly so when there is little or no spiritual encouragement from parents and



In our last prayer letter we asked you to pray that we would get to take advantage of the Brazilian school's summer break and those prayers were answered. We got to enjoy spending even more time than usual with the people in our neighborhood and we feel that relationships were strengthened through those opportunities. We have also been able to do some repair projects on our house and on the church building which we rent.

Our family is doing well. The kids are growing up and or course are enjoying summer break from school right now. Throughout the week, we usually walk anywhere we go in our neighborhood (though we do have a vehicle when we need to go longer distances).

> Unfortunately, with all of this walking, I (Omar) have managed to hurt my feet and this has made it difficult to get around. The Plantar Fasciitis pain in my feet has been intense at times, but with proper care, it has been steadily improving. Please pray that the pain would soon leave completely.

> We greatly enjoyed a visit from Tracy's parents in May. This was the first time that they had been able to visit us, and we had a

With Grandparents! wonderful time together! Of course, you can imagine how much our kids enjoyed spending a whole week with their grandparents! It was fun to watch both Johnathan and Mahalia introduce their grandparents to their friends and then translate for them. Having family visit was a nice break for all of us!