



# Dr. Don & Linda Leaf Missionaries to Brazil

1 Corinthians 9:19  
... yet have I made myself a servant  
unto all, that I might gain the more.

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*"But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Cor. 15:57*

Dear Praying Friends,

## *New Location Results*

As we told you in our last letter, we moved the location of our services, and it had already produced positive results. Since moving, we have had two couples that have visited the Sunday evening services. People in the area of the building have made comments to our people about seeing our sign and have asked questions about the church. Below you can see the new sign for the church. On the first Sunday of October, a young engaged couple, Lucas and Lara, who were just saved and baptized joined the church. He is very musical playing the violin and other instruments. They both were saved out of a Brazilian cult that is a mixture of spiritism, Catholicism and Pentecostalism. The interesting thing is that just down the street, less than a half a block, is one of the meeting places of this cult. Many of the members of that group must pass in front of our building to go to their services.

## *Encouraging Participation*

One of the most encouraging aspects of church planting is to see the people with whom you are working accepting their responsibility to participate daily in the ministries of outreach in the community. When a member gives testimony of having witnessed to a neighbor or friend, it shows that they understand that the great commission is for all believers and not just the preacher. When a member decides to ride their bicycle to the other side of town to visit someone who was in a service, they show that they understand that church growth is the result of each believer showing interest and love to others. Thankfully, we are seeing this attitude weekly among our people. True personal and numerical growth do not happen overnight. They are a result of patient teaching and encouragement. We are thankful to see this happening in Rolândia.

## *Staggering Challenge*

The city of Rolândia has a population of 64,000 people. As you drive through the city, it is filled with all types of churches. Many people claim to be Christian, and some really are. However, most of the churches are not preaching the Bible, but are teaching self help religion, emotionalism, supernatural experiences and a works-based salvation. The preaching of salvation by grace resulting in a truly converted life is not only hard to find, it is not greatly appreciated in these days. Rolândia is no different, and thus, presents a real challenge. We ask for your continued prayers for the Lord to open doors and give wisdom how best to reach the people of Rolândia with the truth of God's Word and to establish a strong church with a brilliant light for Christ.



**Lucas & Lara**

**Your servants in Jesus Christ,**

*Don + Linda Leaf*



**New Sign**

*Sending Church:*  
**Victory Baptist Church**  
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Weatherford, TX 76086  
817-594-7421



*Sent Through:*  
**GIBM**  
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Lewisville, TX 75067  
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