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Publishing the Good News in the Amazon Basin of Brazil.



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June - August 2018

Dear Pastors and Praying Friends,

We finished Discipleship mid-June. The rest of June and July I caught up on correspondence, reports and prepared for the next class, Baptist Distinctives. Two weeks before class was to start at the Bible Institute property, the president told me that the Pastors of the Brazilian fellowship didn't want me to teach doctrine to the women and that if any men arrived, I had to send them away. I was devastated and heartbroken. After much prayer, I still had peace that this was what God wanted me to teach because of the confusion of other religions in the churches. I also felt that if a man were to come, I could not send him away. I knew I couldn't disobey the authority of the Pastors of the fellowship, but I also knew *"it is better to obey God rather than man."* (Acts 5:29)



I called both my dad (Henry Mantonya) and my sending pastor to ask their advice. They suggested I ask the Pastor of the church I am attending to see if I could teach there. What a blessing it was to receive his ok, and encouragement to continue doing what the Lord has called me to do. We started class August 6<sup>th</sup> and between Cacaullandia and the class here in town, I have 20 students, 2 are men. The students are so eager to learn and are so excited about this class. Please continue to pray for this semester.

This picture is of the Bible Institute property. It is 80x40 meters. In 2000, it was on the outskirts of town but now it is surrounded by high-rise apartment buildings. My brothers and their families were living on the property and were robbed several times. When they and the students were robbed at gunpoint with the 10 children present, for safety reasons, the Bible Institute relocated to a safer part of town. It hasn't been used for the Bible Institute since. The property is now in a good location between 2 apartment complexes, (right still under construction). A church building is currently being built on the property (left). Unfortunately there are 5 families living here, 3 including myself, live in the 3 classrooms (46 square meters each). Because the Brazilian Fellowship is divided on the use of the property, my goal was to gain access to one of these classrooms, using it as a temporary home to "get my foot in the door" so to start classes on the property again. Last semester that was accomplished. Please pray that the Pastors will be united in seeing the Bible Institute here again. The president has moved the classes to open for a 3<sup>rd</sup> time to February 2019 after carnival. This property has a lot of potential with enough land to build dormitories for people coming from the interior cities to study. I plan to continue living on property until my room can be a classroom full of students again. Please pray that this will happen.



Praise! January, I took out a 36-month loan on this 2014 Chevrolet Spin. Because of the generosity of several churches I have 18 months left for the car to be paid off. I am thankful and humbled by their generosity. Thank you for continuing to help towards this need.

Thank you for your prayers and support. It is an honor to represent you in the Amazon Basin of Brazil

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