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I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last,^a just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith."

Romans 1:16-17 NIV

Brazil Evangelism at the National Missionary Convention

We had a great time at the National Missionary Convention! Someone told us that we had the most popular booth on our end of the exhibit area. We certainly did have a full booth most of the time. This was my wife and I's first time attending the convention as Forwarding Agents and it sure was a different experience. In the past we toured the exhibits and talked to exhibitors and friends, this time they came to us. We were at the booth practically the whole convention except for attend some main sessions.



Having Jim and Maria Felix, along with Nonato and Tonya Silva (from Araguaina) there was a huge bonus! Jim and Maria Felix brought some great items to display and tell about. I can't remember how many people came to the booth

to see and/or ask about Jim, there were a lot.

While at the convention we made many new contacts and had a lot of people ask about mission work in Brazil. There are several people interested in serving God in Brazil; it is our hope that there will be some seeking to serve in the area Jim has been working in - the need is great. We have also added to our mailing list 14 new people. I also got to meet many of Brazil Evangelism supporters while there, which was a blessing.



We have already scheduled to be at next year's convention in Peoria, IL. We look forward to having another great time next year! If you would like to see more pictures from this year's convention please go to our web site and check them out. The web site address is www.brazilevangelism.org.

All of us at Brazil Evangelism thank you for your support during 2008! Everyone one of you are a great blessing to us. We pray that you are continually blessed this coming year.

Nov. - Dec. 2008 Giving

Churches

First Christian Church Fairland, OK	\$110.00
Seneca Christian Church	\$200.00
Capital West Christian Church	\$500.00
First Christian Church Grayville IL	\$300.00
Villa Heights Christian Church	\$240.00
Westside Christian Church	\$200.00
Parkview Christian Church	\$300.00
Tyro Christian Church	\$2,200.00
Center Christian Church	\$600.00
Granville Center Church of Christ	\$100.00
Delta Christian Church	\$300.00
Mission Christian Church	\$392.00
Sterling Christian Church	\$1,050.00

Individuals & Groups

Prescott Benson - Phoenix, AZ
Iva Lee Kight - Sand Springs, OK
Douglas Huene - Delta, CO
Steve & Lyla Moreland - Kent, WA
Joan Boyd - Joplin, MO
Rebecca Hall - Aurora, MO
Orville & Mary Jo Hall - Seneca, MO
Mike Pierce - Enterprise, OR
Stan Wohlenhaus - Webb City, MO
Henry & Marcia Martin - Granville Summit, PA
Patrick & Mary Otero - Joplin, MO
Madison Church of Christ - CCWM - Victor, IA
TNT Class - Villa Heights Christian Church, Joplin, MO
George & Patricia Roane - Henderson, NV
Edward & Patricia Crumrin - Veedersburg, IN
Kingdom Builders Class - Willow Springs, MO

Total Giving from Individuals & Groups	\$3,915.00
Total Giving from Churches	\$6,492.00
Total Giving November - December	\$9,357.00
Progressive Auto Ins. (2004 Ford)	\$4,500.00
Grand Total	\$14,907.00

We thank you for your continued support through prayers and financially. May God bless you now and always!

Nov. - Dec. Expenses

Jim's Salary	\$4,000.00
Directory of the Ministry	\$25.00
Fed Ex Kinko's (Printing brochures)	\$261.17
Printing Pictures for Display	\$10.22
Ministry Supplies	\$610.06
Auto Fuel	\$169.05
Auto Rental	\$434.15
Travel & Lodging Expenses	\$867.76
Meals Out	\$95.91
Telephone	\$32.31
Misc Supplies for NMC	\$39.77
Calendars	\$84.10
Postage	\$67.00
Misc Ministry Expenses	\$45.84
Bank Charges	\$2.50
Total Expenses	\$6,744.84

As you can see the expenses are up for the last 2 months; this is due to Jim being in the states and traveling to the NMC as well to some supporting churches, etc. There has also been some supplies that Jim has bought for ministry while in the states contributing to the extra expenses.

2004 Ford Tarus

Unfortunately the car that we bought for Jim to use while in the states was totaled in a wreck in Joplin. No one was hurt in the wreck. The \$4,500.00 from Progressive Auto Ins. was the settlement on the car.

Contribution Receipts

Along with this newsletter (for those who contributed to Brazil Evangelism anytime since July 2008) you will find your receipt for those contributions. We are only sending out receipts every 6 months as it is more cost effective. If you need to receive your contribution receipt more often please let me know and I will be sure to get them to you.

Visiting Supporting Churches

While Jim has been in the States he has been able to visit several supporting churches. He had planned on only visiting churches within a short distance from Joplin, MO however he and Maria Felix traveled to many other churches. We would like to thank everyone for your interest in having Jim and Maria Felix visit with you and your church, they have enjoyed being able to be with you. Thank you as well for the hospitality extended to them while traveling and visiting with you.

Unfortunately Jim and Maria Felix could not visit with all supporting churches. It is our hope that he will be able to be with them when he is in the States in the future.

Brazil Evangelism Annual Business Meeting

On Nov. 17th 2008 the board of Brazil Evangelism met for the annual business meeting. Attending the meeting was Stan Wohlenhaus (President), Mark Engler (Vice President - Forwarding Agent), Charles Kent (Secretary), and Jim Moreland.

The meeting was called to order by Stan Wohlenhaus and he opened with prayer. Each member confirmed their faith in Jesus Christ and His Word as proscribed in Article III of the By-Laws of Brazil Evangelism.

Discussed during the meeting was financial information and statements, the purchase of a vehicle for Jim's use in the States, banking problems in transferring money from U.S. accounts to Brazil, inquiring about co-signers and beneficiaries on Jim's personal bank about accounts and retirement funds, Jim's taxes, the need for a will and/or trust.

Also discussed was the need for repairs on the church building in Guarai, the difficulty Jim is having with the architect who is providing information and drawings for building repair and expansion, money has been donated for this purpose. Finally discussion was held on the National Missionary Convention and the need to recruit new missionaries to Brazil. The meeting was closed in prayer.

DAVID BAYLESS ROBBED IN BELEM

Jim recently forwarded me an e-mail concerning the robbery of David and Carol Bayless in Belem. A short summation of the e-mail follows:

The robbery was on Sunday night before the New Year. Three men grabbed Carol as she was coming to her house, one man held his hand over her mouth so she couldn't scream and held a gun to her head. They went to the door and David met them at the door. During the robbery the men threatened their lives, but told them they wouldn't hurt them if they did what they were told. The Bayless' lost several things, computer, car, TV, DVD player, jewelry and more, please pray for them.