



Bill and Mary Horton Missionaries in Northern Brazil



PRAISE AND PRAYER

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TO THE LABOR AHEAD

After arriving in late May to begin our 10th term on the field, we found the pastors of the established churches encouraged, for the most part. I jumped right back into the work at hand, organizing the material that I had prepared and taught back in 2008, for this semester of 4 week long modular classes in our Bible Institute. This course is about how to interpret correctly Bible Prophecy. Mary has been organizing efforts to get our home back in living order again. Access to our home is difficult and dangerous as the street is in deplorable condition, compared even to others here in Marituba. Our area is also targeted by burglary gangs and, as we have no automatic gate opener, the danger is worse. We are grateful to our son, Kyron, and his sweet wife, Antonia, for allowing us to stay in their home while they were two months in the States. They are back in Brazil and we are back in our home. We are still making some needed repairs.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

It is wonderful to be preaching and teaching, in Portuguese, again. I love to preach and teach wherever we are but I know that God brought us here and opened my heart and mind to this language in such a way that it has become my heart language. Of course, it might have something to do with using it for almost half a century. We witness to the lost at every opportunity, knowing that we are at a loss to convince or to bring conviction upon a person. Only the Holy Spirit can do that, however, the Gospel must be presented and, it's better to be presented with love and compassion in one's heart for a lost individual.

CONTINUING ON IN HOPE

We know not what God has in store for us but, we believe that He wants us to continue doing what He has enabled us to do through His Power.

God knows our strengths and our weaknesses and, perhaps we may not be able to go as far or do as much as we have in the past. But our lives are His and our strength is in Him. There are many other areas, Brazilian states, cities and suburbs that are in need of churches to be established and Bible Institutes to be organized for the teaching and preparation of those who are called into pastoral and church planting ministries. When so many refuse to Go or prefer to remain in local church oriented ministries, we are willing to continue as the Lord leads. I recognize that Mary has many physical needs and difficulties, as many of you well know. The climate here, also, is no longer conducive to her health and, there are other situations in our area that are beyond "bad," especially for an elderly lady in a wheelchair and, where a car ride to a decent hospital is a question of hours, not minutes. I need to take Mary to another part of Brazil where the high heat is not a constant and where there are good hospitals, closer time wise. There is such a place in the many suburbs of Curitiba, Paraná. It will be an expensive move and we will need some financial help. But Mary needs some release (which she deserves). I recently returned from a survey trip in that south-central part of Brazil and, I've already been encouraged to organize a needed Bible Institute in that area. I am always ready, also, to help someone establish a local church. Reaching the lost is why we're still alive. We are asking for your prayers (without which our ministry is powerless and our direction limited) also, we are asking for your continued financial support.

GRATEFULNESS TO GOD

Mary and I are very deeply thankful for your faithful prayer and financial support. Many of you have been helping to meet our needs and, those of many others, for a very long time. We know that it has, by no means, been easy but, God... Yes, He always supplies as we follow His Leadership. Our desire is to follow Him, to be used, by Him, in reaching the lost and to glorify our Lord Jesus Christ.

Until He returns,
Bill and Mary

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