



News from

# The Yelles

Serving the Lord in

Caxias do Sul, Southern Brazil



July 30, 2018

Dear friends,

Working in a foreign culture one needs to be prepared for the unexpected. The third week of May our fuel was getting low on one of our vehicles, so off we went to fill it up. After the third fuel station with no gas, we took it home and parked it. It was the third day of a nation wide truckers strike. No truck transport means no fuel from the refineries. The strike was a revolt against the high fuel prices, and lasted eleven days. They managed to obtain lower diesel prices, but with uncertainty in how long it would last. Unfortunately, gasoline remains around US\$5 per gallon.

During this period of the strike, one of our church member's mother passed away. She was a believer, but many present at the funeral knew little to nothing about the Gospel. John was able to give a clear presentation of salvation in Jesus Christ to around sixty people. We pray that one day soon we would see results of that seed sowing to the glory of God.

Our weather this winter has been cold and wet. However, at the end of June a short dry spell came, with warmer weather. Taking advantage of this, we were able to take the church kids to the university zoo. God blessed us with wonderful weather and no mis-haps!

In Brazil, July 20 is Friend's Day. Taking advantage of this, we held Friend's Day activities at the mission works two Saturdays in a row. Besides a Gospel message about Jesus Christ being our Friend, we had food and game time. We saw three first-time visitors at mission work #1, two of which are English Class students. At mission work #2 we had two first-time visitors, who were invited by church members. At each activity we had 18 participating.

Due to weather and sickness, our attendance averages have been lower over the past two months at both works. However, none of our church people, by God's grace, have had serious health issues. God has also been graciously preserving our health amidst so many with colds and the flu.

God's grace keeps us going with the two works. However, we are praying that the Lord would send our way before the end of 2018 trained leadership to help in the work and possibly take over one. There is so much that needs to be done between evangelism and discipleship. More full time workers are needed, whether they be American or Brazilian missionaries.

Our prayer requests are:

1. Continued good health, strong immunity
2. The Lord adding to His church at the two mission works
3. Edification of the believers
4. More missionary help

Thank you for your prayers. May God's grace and mercy be with you all!

In His service,

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Neila with the kids at the zoo



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