



News from

The Yelles

Serving the Lord in

Caxias do Sul, Southern Brazil



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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The year 2020 was full of uncertainties, but we found blessings from our Creator throughout it. We both passed the year with good health, and God continued to provide all the finances we needed despite the pandemic and economic troubles. The mission work continues without any extreme difficulties, and we've been able to adjust our ways of church activities around pandemic restrictions without compromising Biblical principles.

The end of the year came with a great blessing: our daughter and son-in-law, Joneia and Jeremy Bennett, arrived for a two month visit and short missions trip. They both are being such a blessing with projects around the house, as well as helping lighten the load with the church work. Both of them helped with our December youth activity. Jeremy is song leading, and Joneia is playing our Q-Chord in the services and helping teach the children. We have plans to soon get out and do some door to door visitation with them.



Bro. Jeremy song leading



Neila and Joneia

We were able to make several visits in November to those who have dropped off on participating in the church services. Please be in prayer for the brethren here. Though we felt we were able to encourage them, fear of getting sick and lack of commitment to the Lord are hindering many from a faithful return.

The average attendance for church services steadily averaged out to seventeen. Considering all who faithfully attend and those who were hit-and-miss with the services, the COVID-19 situation basically cut the church participation in half.

On the more positive side, our on-line services through Facebook have been watched by several of our acquaintances who have never visited the church services. If they have watched to the end, they definitely heard of the need of a Redeemer and the promise of eternal life in Jesus Christ. We have a web page that also has a great Gospel tract presentation. It's all in Portuguese, but if you want to check it out it's ibvserragaucha.com. We plan to soon have internet links to our preaching and discipleship.