

Prayer and Praise Update

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Dear Praying Friends,

Greetings again from Brazil!

Sorry I'm a little late this (last!) month. Between U.S. income taxes, Brazilian income taxes, and problems we've been having with our new Internet provider, I've been rather distracted. Anyway, even though this is coming out on May 1st, it is really for April.

Ever since getting our new Internet provider set up, there have been problems. It works fine for a day or so, and then begins to get slow. People complain. We call the techo. He looks at it and it seems to be working fine. Then a few days later we have to repeat the process. Anyway, to make a long story short, we ended up going through different channels, and a different techo came out to look at their equipment. He pointed out that the sealed box that the modem is in was trapping heat, causing the modem to get too hot, which affects performance. So now we know what we have to do to help correct the situation.

The only problem is that the modem is located a kilometer away, in a church that is partnering with us to bring us this service. So we have to arrange with the pastor whenever we need to visit and look at the equipment. We really need to get this situation stabilized, so that we no longer need to bother them so much.

A huge praise! In my last newsletter, I mentioned that they would not be offering the second module of the linguistics course. Well, that has changed. A combination of having enough students who want to take it, coupled with some extra resources that "just happened to show up", has enabled the ALEM administration to go ahead and have the second module. This will be a great blessing to those who are wanting to continue training for the ministries that God is calling them to.

So please give thanks for:

- Being able to have the second module of the linguistics course!
- Finding out what the major problem with our new Internet service is.

Please pray for:

- The students who will be taking the second module of the linguistics course.
- A long term solution to the issues with the new modem and heat.

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