

Prayer and Praise Update

January, 2017

Dear Praying Friends,

Greetings again from the Ammi Bible School!

As I write this, we are in the final week of the Mother Tongue Translator course. So far, it has gone fairly well this time. With the experience from the previous two classes, plus a smaller class this time, procedures have become fairly streamlined. Nevertheless, do keep praying! The course is only the beginning. Afterward, the students will return home to continue with the work, and the enemy will do everything in his power to discourage them from God's calling. Pray for a good finish to the course. Pray also for continued dedication to bringing God's word to their people.

This coming weekend I will be returning to the ALEM base. This will be a 2-day drive, and the second day will include some stretches of highway with a lot of potholes. The roads are in markedly poorer condition than they were back in July, largely due to rainy season. Please be praying for a safe trip.

After arriving at the ALEM center, we have plans to finally get some of the equipment to begin some projects that we had planned, but did not have the resources for. We are hoping to be able to considerably improve network connectivity around the center, which has been an ongoing issue for some time. Please be praying that those of us involved would get the right equipment, and that it would work as advertised.

On a different subject, I received the news last year that one of my biggest supporters will no longer be able to be part of my team, due to financial difficulties. As a result, they have begun reducing their contributions, with the goal of stopping completely by the end of this year. This means that I will be needing to find additional churches and individuals that God would call to be part of the team. On a positive note, thanks to the faithfulness of all of you who are a part of my team, I ended the year 2016 at 100% of the quota set by Wycliffe.

Now I am confident that God will supply everything necessary in order for me to continue to be part of the work here in Brazil. However, in many things He works in answer to prayer. So I am asking all of you to bring this need before the LORD in the coming months

I will go into further details in my next actual newsletter, in March.

So please give thanks for:

- A safe trip over to the MTT course, for myself and everyone who came.
- All of the students who were able to return, along with their facilitators and the rest of the staff.
- The continued enthusiasm that the students are showing for learning this important task.
- God's provision during the past year.

Please pray for:

- A good finish to the MTT course.
- Continued dedication on the part of the students, after the finish of the course.
- A safe trip home, in spite of poor road conditions in places.
- The new equipment that we are looking to get for the ALEM center network infrastructure.
- God's continued provision in the coming years.

Helping men and women learn to bring God's word to their own people,

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