

Prayer and Praise Update

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Dear Praying Friends,

Greetings again from Brasília!

As I write this, I have just moved completely back into my own apartment. I had been sleeping in one apartment and living in another for more than six weeks, since the ceiling collapsed. The roof was finished more than a week ago, but first they had to fix the ceiling in my bedroom, and then there was another delay while housekeeping looked for the correct mattress. That was resolved today, and so I can report that this long trial is finally over. So give thanks for the resolution to this issue—not only for me, but for all of the other people living in the building.

On the 5th of next month, I will drive over to Anápolis for the annual SIL Brazil Retreat/Conference. This will be five days in which we will all have the opportunity to reconnect with other members that we have not seen for a while, because of working in different locations in this large country. We will hear daily devotionals to encourage us and spur us on to further spiritual growth, engage in social activities, and conduct some necessary business. On the 9th, I will return to Brasília and my regular job. So please give thanks for this opportunity for growth and refreshment, and pray that the business would be conducted in accordance with God's will.

I was asked to work on a couple of printers this month. While I was able to figure out what needed to be done in each case, I do not have the necessary tools to actually do the job for either one. Fortunately, there are shops in the city that specialize in printers, so I will either be able to obtain the necessary tools, or else have the maintenance work done by their own specialists. One problem with printers is that there are so many different makes and models that it is impractical to get all of the equipment necessary to service all of my possible “patients”. Please join me in giving thanks for the resources that are available to help keep necessary equipment functioning.

So please give thanks:

- For the finishing of the roof remodeling, and finally being able to move back into my own apartment.
- For the solutions to problems that are always available—if I look for them and pray.

Please pray:

- That the upcoming SIL Retreat would be a blessing for everyone involved.
- For safe travels for everyone going to the Retreat.

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