Prayer and Praise Update

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Dear Praying Friends,

Greetings again from Tucson!

As I write this, my phone service has been at least partially restored. SMS messages began working while I was on a short camping trip in southeastern Arizona with a friend. I have also discovered that I can make calls, but not receive them. Eventually, of course, this will also be resolved. But in the meantime, if you want to get ahold of me, go ahead and try to call. If it won't go through, send a text message asking me to call. It's still not optimal, but as the Brazilian national motto says, order and progress.

Next month I will begin a trip on the 9th that will last for several weeks. Since I will be mostly camping, there will be many times that my phone will be out of range of service. If you try to contact me during this time and get a message saying that my phone is not available, just try again later. Eventually I will receive your call!

And please keep praying for more opportunities to share about my work in Brazil! During my time in Tucson, I've been able to "plant a number of seeds". I am still waiting for them to germinate. And please feel free to share this prayer—and financial—need with others in your personal network. God is more than capable of providing far and above what any of us needs for whatever He has called us to do. But people need to be aware of the needs.

So please give thanks:

- For (at least partial) restoration of service for my cell phone.
- For the opportunity to "plant a number of seeds" about my needs in order to return to Brazil.

Please pray:

- That my phone service would soon be completely restored.
- For safe travels during my upcoming summer trip.
- That the Lord would add new members to my ministry support team, so that I will be able to return to Brazil.

Trusting God to be able to finish well in my role in Bible translation in Brazil,

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