

# Prayer and Praise Update

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Dear Praying Friends,

Greetings again from Brazil!

It's late October, and here that means that Rainy Season is just around the corner. In fact, there are some indications that it may have already begun, although that is still debatable. Either way, the dry months that correspond to North American summer are coming to an end. I should soon find myself able to do without my humidifier for a good part of the time.

Here at the ALEM center, things are quiet. The Linguistics students have graduated, and the ones that will become members of ALEM have gone to the jungle survival training course. Please be praying for these people as they learn important skills that they will need in order to work in many of the indigenous communities here in Brazil. Pray also for them as they finish the process of becoming members of the organization.

I have mentioned in previous newsletters and updates that I am working on several projects. I have also mentioned the frustration caused by lack of necessary resources to get equipment. I can now say that a good possibility has recently opened up for obtaining a lot of these resources. Nothing is certain yet -- and there will be paperwork and waiting involved -- but this may be God's provision for maintaining and improving the ALEM center, in order to better facilitate the work of Bible translation.

In a little over two months, the third module of the Mother Tongue Translator course will begin. This will be the final module for this group of students, at the end of which they will graduate. We are hoping and praying that for each one of them, this would be only the beginning, and that they would continue to have the vision of bringing God's word to their own people until the job is finished.

So please give thanks for:

- The Linguistics students who are continuing with the vision, either with ALEM or another mission.
- The good possibility of having found a source of important resources.
- The students who will be returning to the final module of the MTT course.
- The beginning of Rainy Season!

Please pray that:

- The Linguistics students in the jungle survival course would learn the skills that they will need, and have a successful conclusion.
- The students planning to become members of ALEM would have the necessary resources and support from their home congregations.
- The possible source of necessary resources for ALEM would come through, in God's timing and manner.
- The MTT course students would all return in January, and would afterward continue to have the vision of God's word for their people.

Trusting God to enable the translation of His word,

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