

Prayer and Praise Update

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Dear Praying Friends,

Greetings again from Brasília!

As Rainy Season approaches, certain precautions become increasingly necessary. Due to wind and lightning, electrical failures are much more common. We recently had a failure, caused by a power-line worker who made a mistake, which showed me that three of our uninterruptible power supplies were in need of service. Fortunately, no data was lost in the incident, and as I write this, the power supplies are in the repair shop being serviced. Once this is complete, we will be better prepared for whatever Rainy Season might bring.

Many ALEM personnel insure electronic equipment through a service provided by SIL in Dallas. Early this year, Dallas Insurance moved from being a manual service which required users to correspond via email, to an on-line service where I can just enter the information about new items on the spot. To facilitate dividing up the charges, I maintain a spreadsheet with all of the relevant information. Recently, I realized that it would be easier to completely revamp the spreadsheet to reflect the format of the new system. Hopefully, this will make it easier to keep track of insured items in the future. This service has been quite useful to several ALEM members, who were able to recover the cost of items damaged or destroyed in accidents.

Recently, the LORD has impressed something on me as elections approach, both in the States and here in Brazil. Whenever a party or a candidate supports what God calls evil, there are always forces of darkness behind it. These are the real enemy, and we are called to use “the weapons of our warfare” which are “mighty in God” against the powers and principalities described in Ephesians 6:12. So please be praying for the upcoming elections. Pray that the forces of darkness would be defeated through the Blood of Jesus. And as for the candidates that they are using to advance their evil cause? Pray that they would find salvation in Christ.

So please give thanks:

- That we were able to discover which UPSs needed service before Rainy Season really begins.
- For the insurance system through SIL that enables ALEM members to find a low-cost way of insuring their equipment.
- That the Name of Jesus is more powerful than any force of darkness!

Please pray:

- That we would be able to put whatever measures are necessary into place to protect electronic equipment during Rainy Season.
- That the forces of darkness would be defeated in the upcoming elections in the States and in Brazil.

Lifting high the Name of Jesus in Brazil,

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