



March 2012 Reno Update

Dear Praying Friends,

Thank you so much for praying on our behalf. We have seen the Lord do “great things for us; whereof we are glad.” (Psalm 126:3) John, Fernanda and Bobby headed to the interior this past Tuesday with the goal of visiting 3 villages, before returning this Friday. Tuesday night they were able to make phone contact and said they had been to a brand new village, given out more that 150 tracts and had more than 20 children, plus teens and adults in a Bible class. We are looking forward to hearing all that the Lord has done when they come back tomorrow.

Robynn received more requests for Bible lessons from women in the Fortaleza prison. Two women requested lessons in Dutch and one in Tagalog. Please pray as Robynn and Fernanda are to make a day trip there on the 21st of March. They will be taking Bibles, devotionals, books, lessons and personal items for some of the women as well as holding a Bible study in English and Portuguese.

At the end of last year Robynn sent Christmas cards, Bibles and devotionals to the prison. She has since been told by the director that each cell block received a devotional for a reading time in the morning before their day begins! This past month we were able to attend a meeting held for all municipal school directors and give them a daily devotional for their school. Last year one of the schools read from it during their school wide assemblies.

Last year Hannah was able to teach a Bible lesson and some Basic English to four fourth grade classrooms in a municipal school. The municipal secretary of education gave her the “o.k.” to expand that this year and the Lord has opened up nine classrooms in five different schools. Please pray for opportunities to share the gospel with these children and their teachers.



Several of the children and teens that came to the VBS at the school have been coming to Sunday school and a couple of them even came to the afternoon service this last week.

At El-Shadai our hearts continue to be greatly burdened as attendances continue to dwindle and overall there is a great apathy among the believers. Please pray much with us! Even in the midst of the discouragement we are thankful to see one lady becoming much more faithful, a visitor in the service this past Sunday night, and Dani has become burdened for those living on her street. She recently took them devotionals that were well received and has had some requests for more.

For those of you praying for Flavia in our last letter, please continue. From time to time we see her in her back yard, but she generally refuses to greet us, much like last year after VBS.

Robynn continues to have an extra-full plate as she prepares for furlough. Please pray for health, strength and wisdom for her.

Bobby continues to grow and bring much joy. He has recently started to walk and often we are reminded of his rough start and how far our Almighty God has brought him.

Hannah saw the surgeon this past month and though he was pleased with her progress, wants her to continue to use the sling until the end of March when he will re-evaluate. He would like to take the pin out at the end of March, if the bones have healed. This would seemingly be ideal, giving enough time to heal before the April tenth departure for Africa, so we ask for you to pray!

Thank you for your faithful prayers. Love in Him,

The Renos in Brazil