

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ at Zion CC,

Greetings from Brazil in the wonderful Name of Jesus. We pray you are well and experiencing His grace and peace.

A couple of months have flown by since my last newsletter. Speaking of flying, our cat, Pedro, tried it from the third floor hallway windows. He has recuperated well, and none of our cats are allowed out of the apartment anymore.

Marta and Jac recently finished up the last of a few beauty courses, and we finally rented a space for a salon. Marta is better at doing nails, and Jac at braids. There's other areas, but I don't know the terms. This is a big step that we took to help Jac. Because of some limitations, things were not good for her working at schools and no one was hiring in a salon.

Because of my age, I have more freedom with the mission to do different things. Since I enjoy good health, I have been able to help some older people who need to have someone take them on their doctor visits. The Wec base also asked me to be a mentor/tourist guide for two short-termers that were here. Recently, I impersonated a farmer. Actually, I just helped out. I stayed at the Cidade Refúgio program with the director, Pastor Júlio, for four days while all the interns and staff were away. A church took them on a spiritual retreat, so Pastor Júlio and I watched the place and took care of the animals.

There are many living on the streets where we live. Since most money would go for drugs or alcohol, I carry granola bars to give to those who say they are hungry.

Psalm 47:8 God reigns over the nations;

God sits on His holy throne.

These are crazy times, but God is in control. We must always keep our eyes on Jesus!

His peace,

Rich, Marta, and Jac Hoadley

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