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IBP Special Moments— We have enjoyed some really special moments as a church over the past two months.

Recent Salvations and Baptisms — Rabi, Jully and Gonçalo have each come to a true faith in Christ as they have heard and believed in their need of a personal faith and relationship with the Lord Jesus. Rabi and Jully were both baptized in later September, then, a young man, Gonçalo, accepted the Lord and wanted to obey and be baptized. So, we had two Sundays within a few weeks of each other with new believers obeying the Lord! Rabi is married to Christian, who is an unbeliever. Jully is a single adult, as is Gonçalo. Maria is a single adult from our church who works at McDonalds and lead both Jully and Gonçalo to Christ. The Lord has been using Maria who is constantly bringing visitors to the services. The Lord is blessing her work ethic, also, and she is being recognized and rewarded by the franchise owners.



Rabi



Jully



Gonçalo



Fellow Laborers at IBP - In the past few updates, I have tried to introduce you to a few of the people that Dan and Rachael and Norma and I work with week by week, whom the Lord is preparing for the work here, as well as in other areas. I will continue to do so for a while. A few years ago, the church recognized two deacons who have been servants to the church.

Luis Miguel Mendes was the first man to be saved and baptized in this church plant. He and his wife, **Ana Paula**, continue to grow before the Lord and serve with grateful hearts. **Juan Carlos Reyes** also serves as a deacon, teaches men's SS class and leads the music most of the time. His wife, **Elaine**, helps with teaching the ladies and kids classes.



Another couple that the Lord is using came to us from Brazil. **Marcus and Silvia Godim** are the Lord's servants with humble hearts and a great love for their brethren and the lost. Marcus is beginning to help with teaching the men and Silvia also helps teach the women and children.



The Lord's disciples are multiplying, growing and being used of God increasingly. It is so precious to be a part of their lives and see the Lord develop His ministry in and through them.

Dan and Rachael, along with **Elioenai and Annette, Norma and I** look forward to seeing the church continue to grow and be strengthened. We will need your help to buy property as the space we have is full most Sundays. The church has saved over the years, but loans are not given to churches here.

Pray for God's direction in all of this. Thank you, again. **Scott and Norma**

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