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# REPORT OF THE WORK AND FOWLER FAMILY MISSION

Belo Horizonte - Brazil /June 2019

Life and work in Belo Horizonte, and the state of Minas Gerais, is going well. Our schedule is always full. Eddison's therapy takes 3 almost half days per week. Add to that our doctor's visits, medical exams, ministry meetings, sermons, lessons, visits to mission points, etc. Believe us, an actively involved mission work in four cities around the state, plus the work in Belo Horizonte, is demanding.

Things are going well. LaJuana is much better after her back surgery and continues to improve. Her pain is diminishing continually and a couple of sisters continue coming weekly to help with the household chores.



Eddison's first appointments with a neurological surgeon, who should soon do a nerve stimulator implant in his spine (see this article that encouraged Eddison to pursue this procedure <https://time.com/5405647>), were on June 3 and June 10, to present the pre surgical exams that had been done for another surgeon before his

accident in January. He hopes that very few other exams will be necessary. Please pray that the process will be quick and successful and that it will give him greater control of his nerves and muscles, plus relief from the pain that he has experienced for four years in his midsection, and constantly in his feet.

The muscles in his hip area have been rebellious recently. When he teaches or preaches while standing at the Central church in Belo Horizonte, then invites family and friends over for lunch, and after this goes to the worship service in Sete Lagoas in the evening, he feels the stress in his body for days. On Monday he did therapy very lightly and had a meeting with the National Bible School coordinators in the evening, and stayed as still as possible the rest of the week as he studied, planned and prepared for future responsibilities. The Central Church elders meet weekly, and oftentimes call meetings with ministry groups of the church. And there are many.

Our older son David and his oldest son Judah visited Brazil for two weeks the beginning of June. That was the first time David had been to Brazil in seven years, and it was Judah's first visit. It was great to have them here, even though it was for a short time.



The elders made schedules for one of the elders of the Central church to visit each of our last four mission points (Montes Claros, Sete Lagoas, Ipatinga and Lavras) at least once a month, and another schedule for several brothers and sisters to be in Sete Lagoas weekly. This group includes one elder, a coordinator and others who can preach, teach, lead singing and encourage. The church is also actively looking for a meeting place for the congregation in Sete Lagoas. It presently meets in a member's home.



The Ipatinga congregation was able to secure a store next to the house that they were already renting, to be used for the church's meetings and ministries. The paperwork for the store is being arranged. Excitement is high because it will give visibility to the congregation.

The congregation there is making a professional, permanent sign to hang high above the door of the store so that it will not be removed by disinterested people, as the first banner was. The family of the two sisters who are living in the house next door are going to maintain that rental so that they can continue living there and so that the church can use the open-air area on top for special occasions.

The door to the far left opens to the house presently being used. The storefront to the far right is being rented.



Recent baptisms at the Central church of Christ in Belo Horizonte:



**Thank you for being great brothers and sisters in Christ, partners in the work in Minas Gerais, Brazil, prayer warriors and fellow soldiers in the battle against Satan and his wiles. The work here could not be done without you. We love and appreciate you and pray that God continues to bless your life and work.**

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