

June 6, 2008,

Dear supporters and prayer partners,

We praise the Lord for all His blessings upon us here in Joinville, Brazil.

In May we celebrated the fifth anniversary of Victory Baptist Church, with special singing by the children and adult choirs, among others. The special preacher was good friend, Pr. Carlos Alberto from nearby town of Penha. Then of course we had delicious cake and “salgadinhos”. (A Brazilian finger food) It was all very good! Praise the Lord for these 5 years!



Also in May, on Mother’s Day, I had the opportunity to preach in the capital of our state at missionary Moises Damagio’s main church. It was a blessing and I thank the Lord for working in the hearts of several people there.

Then, on the 17<sup>th</sup>, I was completely shocked when I got to the church for our men and women’s meeting.

Our church, with the help of my family, had prepared a very special service. They invited missionary and pastor friends of mine from the area, to celebrate with me and our church, the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of my ordination, which happened may 16, 1993, at my home church, Victory Baptist, in Loganville, Georgia. I thank the Lord for allowing me to serve him, and to preach His precious Word. I preached for the first time at the age of 18, (21 years ago) and an elderly man was saved.

This celebration was topped off by a very special thing happening to a very special young lady. Our daughter, Priscilla who is fourteen now, surrendered her life to the Lord! She wants to serve Him as a missionary! Can you hear me shout halleluiah!



We also took a group of nine people from our church to participate in a three day basic training for child evangelism in the city of Penha, along with Pr. Carlos Alberto’s church. It was a real blessing to all of us, and the young people are putting their learning into practice. It is good to see them bare fruit for the Lord.

I pray that this news letter will encourage you to continue to pray for us as we labor for the Lord here in Joinville, Brazil. Pray especially for my wife Soraia. She is required by the US Immigration to return to the USA to renew her “Green Card”. So she, and our youngest children, Stephanie and Franklin, will be traveling to America some time the end of July. Thank you once again for your prayerful support.

James and Soraia Allen