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Xingu Mission Field Report



The Bergen Family

Rick and Deanna Bergen and their family moved to Brazil 10 years ago as missionaries and have been working in Altamira for 8 years. They have 4 daughters named Annika-11, Via-9, Emma-7, and Bella-5.

Rick is the founder of the Xingu Mission and the Field Director. He coaches the missionaries and has been the visionary for the mission. The Xingu Mission works at training, equipping, and accelerating the growth of their sister organization, Igeja da Vinha, which currently has 14 churches and 20 congregations.

Deanna home schools all four of her daughters. She also leads the social assistance program for the mission and in her neighborhood. The Bergen's are tightly involved in the community and have played an instrumental role in the spiritual and physical health of their community.

Rick and Deanna have been hosting and discipling a neighborhood youth group on a weekly basis with 30 plus youth consistently participating. Rick and Deanna have always envisioned opening a church to not only minister to the youth, but to also minister to their parents, and grandparents. That dream was realized on February 1st when Rick preached at the first church service in the Igreja da Vinha da Mirante which basically translates "The Vineyard Church from the highest point". The church service went



extremely well. We had a total of 85 people come to the first service. The breakout was the following: 42 adults, 23 young adults and around 22 children. We were very happy with the turn out and more importantly we were extremely pleased that 5 people gave their lives to the Lord. Amazing service! and it was a great confirmation that the Lord wanted us to start this church.



The mission is continual adding new churches and raising up new leader to pastor the church. The mission has been asked numerous times by river communities to come and plant a church but there is a shortage of leaders to fulfill those positions. As Jesus said in Matthew 9:38-39 "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few". *xm*



Blessings from Heaven

With the increasing demands of his family and church responsibilities, Clenildo, the Senior Pastor of our central church has been balancing his duties by the grace of God. Clenildo, with only a motorcycle had to always juggle between getting his family to specific places, a disabled Mother-in-Law, visiting new members, and attending to daily responsibilities of the church. Clenildo's family for years always wanted and needed a car to help them. But how could that ever be possible with the limited amount of income that their family generated, especially when at times they would be eating hand to mouth. But with God all things are possible.

For the past two years the Mayor of Altamira has been giving away a new car in order to promote people who owned property to pay their real estate taxes. Once you

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Igreja Da Vinha da Mirante

As stated in the previous article, the Igreja da Vinha da Mirante is our latest church plant. As of this date the Lord has blessed this church amazingly. We have had 4 services and have seen 7 people give their lives to the Lord and 2 people recommit again. Not only that but the church baptized 8 people. We are now in the process of forming cell groups and discipling all the members. As a part of the discipling process we took some of the youth ages 12 to 18 just outside the city to spend time with them while Carnival was taking place in Altamira. Aside from all the games, we taught the youth the importance of obeying your parents and leaders. Plus, we spoke very candidly about the importance of abstaining from sex before marriage. The time spent was very spirit filled. The church has had an amazing start and we believe that this is just the start for bigger and better things for this church. Please pray with us. *xm*



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Blessings from Heaven

paid, your name was entered into a drawing and in December they would choose a winner. Well what do you know, Clenildo's name was drawn, and he received a phone call at 10:00 PM at night saying that he just won a new car and to come and pick it up now. Well without delay and tears streaming down their face they were on their way to pick up their new 2003 Golf Volkswagen. Truly amazing, but the story does not stop there. After any purchase of a new vehicle you must register the vehicle. Clenildo started praying because he did not have the R\$700.00 to register the car. So when Clenildo went to register the car, he told the attendant that he was praying that someone paid his registrations. She laughed at him as though he was crazy, but when she pulled up the vehicle up on the computer, the laughter seized because the Lord used someone to pay his registration. **Amazing!!!** The Lord is so faithful, and it is a wonderful sight to see the Pastor pull up to the church on Sunday with his whole family and to see everyone's smiling face, especially their disabled Mother because without the car she was never able to attend church. We serve an awesome God. *xm*

