



Bob Leshner NEWSLETTER

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Hello friends and family. Thank you for taking the time to read the newsletter. It's a great way to connect with us here in Macapá. This month's newsletter is about a very special young man, Gabriel. He has an interesting story. It's simple but profound. Luana(she is the daughter of the pastors and our media director) and Gabriel met in high school several years ago. In 2023, they met several times and talked. At the end of that year, Luana invited him to church. Eventually, he came. He must have liked it, because throughout 2024, Gabriel was present at the services. I think he came to a Love in Action event. During the summer, people would stay after the services to play games and eat "midnight" burgers, and Gabriel was there often participating. Then, in February, Gabriel accepted Jesus.

Recently, Pastor Lêda shared with me a little of Gabriel's story.

He came to the church because Luana invited him. After that, a beautiful thing happened. The church loved him in little ways that made an impression on him. The church hugged him after services. Invited him to eat and play games. Gabriel said he never experienced that before. It was the "magic" of the church BEING the church that opened his heart to the Good News of Jesus. His story is so encouraging to me.

So my friends what I learned from this simple story, sharing the love of Jesus doesn't have to be complicated. It can be simple, but the effect can be profound. When Lêda shared this with me, she just talked quickly and briefly. But it really hit me! So, I wanted to share it with you all.

Thank you for supporting this ministry. I'm so happy I get to do this!

God Bless

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A great day for Gabriel being Baptized



Gabriel did a great job being Jesus in the Play.



This is at one of the rehearsals. The team really worked hard.



We gave Gabriel a surprise Birthday party after one of the rehearsals. It was so sweet. He received lots of gifts. People made gifts for him. He was really happy and animated! It was a real blessing to share in that experience.

Jesus on the cross. The play show the solders mistreating and mocking Jesus. This was really emotional. There wasn't a dry eye in the house.

