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Hello everyone! Thanks again for taking time to read the newsletter. I appreciate the support as well as your prayers and giving financially.

For the next several months I thought it would be interesting for you all to meet the leadership team here at Vineyard Macapá. Luana interviewed Daniel our worship leader. I hope you enjoy meeting Daniel. He is a nice man.



Daniel Saraiva de Souza 28 years old Leads worship, Vineyard ministry Macapá, Brazil. Hobby: singing, playing instruments, drawing, playing... Flying kites. Playing board games...

Daniel told me about a significant moment in his childhood when he was 13 years old and received a phone call from the hospital where his brother was hospitalized. He said that his brother asked to speak with him and said: 'Brother, take care of yourself,' and shortly afterwards, his brother passed away.

He also recalls when he was 7 years old and his older sister would take him to church, where he would play with the children in the ministry.

He has always shown an interest in singing and playing since he was young, which marked the beginning of a long journey in Daniel's life. Daniel has always been a good student, both in childhood and adolescence, achieving high grades.

Daniel dreams of graduating in business administration, taking art courses, and a guitar course to enhance his knowledge and obtain a certificate to become a professional teacher for others who wish to learn.

Daniel expressed that he is very happy to serve as a worship leader at Vineyard Macapá. Daniel's words: 'I have nothing to complain about.' My pastors, Leda and Leo, help me; I love leading worship. They are great people, I enjoy teaching, I like praising... I feel good about it! I feel very satisfied with leadership; it's something wonderful in my life! Daniel talked about his realized dreams; having his own money helps him to achieve them. Recently, he bought a new bicycle; before, he used to ride an old and ugly bicycle. He laughed when talking about it and also spoke about being happy to buy his drawing supplies, which he couldn't afford as a child. He said: after I became an adult, I could buy all the things I like; these are my greatest victories recently

Daniel told me about his family: my father took care of the family since childhood, my mother is very hardworking, a mother of six children, she took care of everyone. When I was a child, my mother would skip meals to feed us, even though I didn't know that. We used to eat açaí, beans, and rice. My father was a bricklayer. They raised us very well... They were not Parents of hugs, of speaking kind words, but showing love through gestures. Great parents. I love being with them.

Daniel works at his family's restaurant, his work starts at 8 a.m., cleaning the place, setting up the tables, cleaning the floor. At 11 a.m., he delivers food by bicycle, helps prepare meals, makes delicious juices, his work ends around 2 p.m.

Daniel went through a moment of distress in 2024 when his marriage began to fall apart. He testified about that difficult time when his ex-wife requested a divorce, revealing how he felt frustrated and why his marriage was going through this process. Daniel said: I felt defeated, like I had lost a fight, I felt lost, but God lifted me up and gave me strength to move on, HE is my source of living water, I sought God more, and now I am happier, Jesus gave me peace, when we have God nothing can bring us down.

Ok my friends that's it. Please pray for us. I'm praying for you!