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*How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? - Romans 10:14*

**“Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.” - 1 Corinthians 15:58.**

God has a way of showing His servants that their labor in the Lord is not futile. Many times as ministers we look out over the flock that the Lord has entrusted to us and wonder what impact are we having in these lives. God opened my eyes this past week and showed me indeed that what He has called us to do is not in vain.

Sunday afternoon I was sitting in the church as people were preparing the building for the upcoming services. I was sitting next to dear brother *Alberto*. He and his family have come to know the Lord in the last year and a half. They are faithful in our services. They are hungry for the Word. They are growing in the Lord. In short, this family is a blessing in the Jacumã congregation.

I mentioned to him how he was first invited to church by another brother in Christ and how we are so thankful that his family is with us. *Alberto* corrected me by saying:

“You are incorrect, Pastor. Adriano was not the first to invite me to church. You were. You just don't remember. You were handing out tracks and inviting people to church. I was drunk inside a bar on Main Street and you came up to me and gave me a track and invited me to church. When you invited me to church I told you I would come.”

I had completely forgotten, but *Alberto* never forgot the promise he made to visit the church. Eventually, *Alberto* did come and, if I am not mistaken, it was on a Wednesday night. *Alberto* heard the Gospel and came to Christ. The Lord called him from a life of alcoholism by His marvelous grace. *Alberto's* family as well has come to Christ.

Please pray for the continued spiritual growth of *Alberto* and Cibelli his wife. Pray for their children: João, José, and baby Maria. These kids are adorable. They listen well in their Sunday School class and in Kids Church. This dear family has reminded me in the last few days that our **“labour is not in vain in the Lord.”**

Last prayer letter we talked about the youth program in the Jacumã Congregation. We have since done a complete makeover to that ministry adding Thiago and his wife Camila as youth counselors. This couple has already added so much to the program. We have an hour long service at the beginning of the evening which consists of music, Bible skill training and a message on the series “The Armor of God”.

In rewiring our youth program we have placed a greater emphasis on the teaching of the Word, though sports are also a large part of the program. Pray for the salvation of many unsaved youth that faithfully come.

Since I began the writing of this letter my dear cousin Doug Reiner has been promoted to be forever with his Savior. Doug and Renate Reiner were faithful missionaries in Brazil for nearly 30 years. This past year Doug has been battling cancer, a battle he lost last night with his family by his side. The family feels this incredible loss, but the family rejoices knowing that Doug is finally and forever cured. Please pray for God's peace in the lives of his wife Renate and his children Alex and Candice.

In Him!

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