

Goncalves end of year report 2018

**LIFE ONLY MAKES SENSE WHEN YOU'RE SERVING OTHERS
AND DOING THINGS THAT ENHANCE OTHERS' LIVES.**

The following are highlights of 2018. We pray to God that 2019 will be even greater than this year.

- 1) We had **furlough** with sponsoring churches in San Angelo, Texas and Midwest City, Oklahoma in January.
- 2) Our **FIRST GRANDSON**, Liam Son Kaiser, was born in May! Life couldn't get any better!



- 3) In June of 2018, **I turned 60!!** – Woohoo! What a great gift from God!

- 4) In July, the Highland church in Abilene, TX, sent a team of 23 teens and sponsors for our bilingual camp – **Camp Roots**. David Sessions led the team of young people. The theme this year was “HOPE”.



5) **CURA** – CUIDado, Respeito, Amor (Care, Respect, Love) – our **10th anniversary** medical campaign was a great success. This year we were especially blessed by the participation of “Por Um Sorriso” (For A Smile) – a non-profit of dentists who served hundreds of patients during the 5 days of the campaign. We are very blessed by the leadership of **Dr. Greg Dunham** in San Angelo, Texas, and a very capable Brazilian leadership here in Itu. We also had medical students from UNICAMP and São João da Boa Vista to help out in Triage and neighborhood health canvassing.



6) **MULTIPLICA** – Multi-media ministry – Our new format for our Radio and Media Ministry celebrated its first year with over 190,000 followers being blessed with the message of hope and salvation in Jesus Christ. Please pray for Multiplica as we enter 2019 for the projects we have planned!



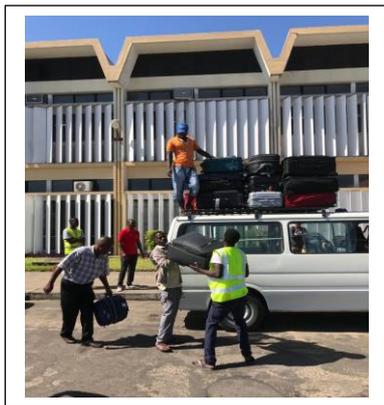
MULTIPLICA –

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(LISTEN, UNDERSTAND, SHARE)

7) **MOZAMBIQUE MISSION TRIP** –

The Itu church sent out the **first international mission team among the churches of Christ in Brazil** to Marromeu and Nensa, Mozambique for two weeks – October 28th – November 13th.

A team of 16 went to serve the people in that country. Our world view was forever altered, and our values re-examined. It was a long and challenging trip that taught us to go deeper into our faith as we faced a hard reality among the people in Mozambique.



Believe it or not, 16 of us plus all of our carry-ons (the big suitcases were on top!!!) traveled in this “van” for 18 hours to make the 300 km journey from Beira to Nensa!

During the days we served there, I spoke to pastors and their wives in Marromeu and Nensa. We offered a VBS to over 350 children! We built latrines, playground equipment for a small school and helped with minor remodeling of a church building. We preached in at least 10 different churches in those areas and encouraged the missionaries who give their lives for those people.



During the VBS, I saw a little girl who was about 5 years old crying in a corner. I walked up to her and asked her what was wrong. She handed me a broken flip-flop. Lots of kids feel embarrassed to go to school and church barefooted. I tried to fix the little girl's flip-flop, but it didn't last long.

Because of this and similar experiences that the team had, the church in Itu has begun a campaign to collect 1,000 pairs of flip-flops/sandals to take to Mozambique in 2019.

FYI – if you have any interest in helping with this campaign, please send me a message – impactoantenor@gmail.com or Antenor Goncalves on Facebook; or by phone – 011-55-11-4022-0064.

8) **PORTUGAL MISSION TRIP** (Nov. 15-30).

Phyllis and I had the privilege to serve churches in Lisbon and Porto, Portugal after the trip to Mozambique.

The ladies of the church in Lisbon had lunch after church and spent the afternoon with Phyllis visiting about the theme of “Encouragement”.



I taught and preached there and together we spoke to the couples and met with church leaders to encourage them.



If you have any questions or suggestions, please write us and let us know. We would love to hear from you!!

Please continue to pray for Phyllis and me, and our kids – Mark, Ali and Liam Kaiser (who work with us here in Itu) and Paul and Brooke Gonçalves.

Your intercession on our behalf has kept us going strong in our call for ministry here in Itu, and different parts of the world.

As we serve Christ, we are reminded of how wonderful and awesome he is.

May all of us be reminded this Christmas season of what Christ means to us.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

- Antenor and Phyllis