



# Phillips' Forum



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## Trip to Brazil A Blessing

The Lord blessed during a February Medical Consultation Team visit to Brazil. The team met with the hospital's Brazilian board in Manaus, as well as a number of government and city leaders in Santo Antônio do Içá. They were delighted to see the positive impact of the medical ministry in the community. They were also amazed at how well our team has integrated into the national health system on both personal and institutional levels. At times we can take for granted how the Lord has blessed over the years and it was encouraging to be reminded of His goodness.

The team's formal report will be out in a few weeks, so we are eager to gain this perspective as we plan for the future.

Chip was also able to work on a number of administrative projects. The hospital's health license was renewed. He was able to visit a supporting church for the hospital as well as lay the groundwork for some new fund raising initiatives. He was also able to work on the hospital's money exchange difficulties.

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## Furlough Schedule

### March

- 02 Parenting Adolescents  
First Baptist Church  
Willingboro, NJ
- 09 First Baptist Church  
Van Wert, OH
- 16 Calvary Baptist Church  
Lakeland, FL
- 23 Bible Baptist Church  
Sta. Monica, CA
- 30 Ephraim Ch. of Bible  
Ephraim, UT

### April

- 06 Sunbury Bible Church  
Northumberland, PA
- 13 Milford Bible Church  
Milford, PA
- 27 Woodland St. Bapt. Ch.  
Narrows, VA  
Greenbrier R. B. Ch.  
Ronceverte, WV

### May

- 11 Primrose Bible Church  
Pottsville, PA  
Exeter Bible Church  
Birdsboro, PA
- 18 Goldston Bapt. Church  
Antioch Bapt. Church  
Goldston, NC
- 21 Pine Grove Bapt. Ch.  
Stockbridge, GA
- 25 Bible Center Church  
Charleston, WV

## Praise

- Medical Consultation Team visit was very helpful.
- Chip was able to resolve some of the hospital's money wife transfer difficulties.

## Prayer

- Safety as we travel to supporting churches.
- Continued outreaches at the Amazon Baptist Hospital.
- Aquisition of land for a hangar site.
- Additional prayer and financial partners.

## Skirrow Memorial

Plans are being made to renovate and expand the eudcational facilities at Faith Baptist Church where Sherry ministered for many years. Chip was able to finalize the architectual layout while in Brazil and the final blue prints are being processed. Lord willing this project will become "concrete" as we return to Brazil later this year.

### Sending Churches:

First Baptist Church  
of Willingboro, NJ  
New Life Baptist Church  
of Darby, PA



## Ministry Annual Report for 2007

- A. Give a one or two sentence summary of your ministry assignment.  
Our ministry assignment is to assist the ABFC in developing mature believers in Christ and starting reproducing Baptist Churches. This will mostly be done in our ongoing association with the Amazon Baptist Hospital in Santo Antônio do Içá.
- B. What special blessings and highlights did you experience in ministry during the past year?
1. We started furlough ministry and are able to visit both personal and hospital supporters.
  2. Our children adapted well to life in the US as well as to an organized school situation.
  3. João and Rosalva Mafra have continued to grow spiritually and are now discipling another couple.
- C. What difficulties did you encounter in ministry during the past year?  
Our difficulties were mostly linked to bureaucracy and red tape regarding hospital licensing, applying for tax exempt status, and procuring land for a hangar site in Santo Antônio do Içá.
- D. List at least 5 key short range ministry goals for the past year and rate your progress for each (A = accomplished, S = some progress, N = no progress, D = dropped). Comment about factors that contributed to progress for each goal, or identify reasons why no progress was made or the goal was dropped.
1. Raise the Medical Endowment to \$150,000.00. "S"  
Comments: Our furlough will continue through the first half of 2008.  
The Endowment now has a total of \$108,500.00.
  2. Update Chip's medical credentials and competency while on furlough. "A"  
Comments: Chip's credentials have been updated and works part time in a local Trauma Center.
  3. Teach Growing Kids God's Way for adolescents before furlough. "A"  
Comments: Completed
  4. Visit hospital supporters in the Midwestern and Western US and Canada. "S"  
Comments: We believe that we will be able to visit virtually all personal and hospital supporters during this furlough.
  5. Obtain tax-exempt status for the Amazon Baptist Hospital. "S"  
Comments: The 'final' paperwork was submitted before we left on furlough. Another document was requested but no one got it in so the process was denied. We will resubmit the request upon our return to the field.
- E. List at least 5 key short range ministry goals for the coming year.
1. Obtain tax exempt status for the hospital.
  2. Present parenting classes two times this year (once in US, once in Brazil).
  3. Raise endowment base to \$150,000.00 this furlough.
  4. Obtain land for a hangar in Santo Antônio do Içá.
  5. Do regular encouragement visits to newer missionaries to help them be more effective in ministry.

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