



Phillips' Forum



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Construction Progresses

We arrived in Santo Antônio shortly before Herman and Tami Teachout. Herman is ABWE's Aviation Director. He and Tami stayed with us for six weeks as they supervised the initial hangar construction. They fit in well with our family and did a wonderful job getting the construction underway.

The mayor has partnered with the project and is helping with materials such as sand, gravel and bricks. He also has indicated that he will build the access ramp from the hangar property to the airstrip. Our goal is to have the 15 foot walls completed, the roof on, and if possible the floor laid by the end of the year.

Please pray for safety as we work and for good weather so we can complete the project quickly.

Health System Organizes

Sometimes a ministry can be both a blessing and a curse. The outreach of the Amazon Baptist Hospital has touched many lives and because of this ministry our town had become a reference center for surrounding counties. But past politicians used this benefit as a way to cover the fact that they were neglecting their own health system. Rather than build neighborhood clinics, they allowed patient overflow to just go to the hospital.

The current mayor has asked Chip to help him reorganize the county health system and Chip has accepted leadership of the County Health Counsel which is charged with directing and auditing the county's health care system. Please pray for wisdom as he tries to encourage teamwork and fiscal responsibility.

Praise

- Hangar construction is progressing well.
- Outreach continues well at the Hospital.
- County officials are more interested in medical care.
- Susanna and Julie Anne have integrated back into life and ministry in Santo Antônio.

Discipleship Through Counseling

Jesus charged His followers to make disciples. In our area, this is an enormous challenge due to poor literacy and a culture that emphasizes immediate gain and pleasure over persistence to obtain long-term objectives. In this "oral" culture we have noticed that stories help people learn. We also have observed that many cultural traits develop because parents don't effectively pass on solid values to their children.

We are currently working with Pastor Jacó of Faith Baptist Church to implement a family-based discipleship program that will help parents train and counsel their children. It will be story-based and focus on character development. We may also use this as the basis for materials to disciple those who do not have a supportive family. Please pray for wisdom as we develop these materials and put them into practice.

Prayer

- Ministry and financial planning for next year.
- Safety as hangar construction continues.
- Reed as he interviews at medical schools this winter.
- Wisdom as we develop discipleship materials geared to our region.

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Sending Churches

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



Chip teaches basic principles of Biblical parenting at a local PTA meeting.



Laurie has started a bell choir with neighborhood children.



The Sherry Skirrow Educational Center, that was built last term, is being actively used.



Hangar construction continues to progress.



Group water games were a highlight of Susanna's 15th birthday party.



Julie Anne, our budding veterinarian, helps Chip neuter a dog on our porch.