

## October 2011

I would like to again, say another word of gratitude to all of you for being so kind to us through this difficult time of transition. My mother was our rock and with her passing our foundation was shaken. Shaken yes, but not broken. She founded in us a great direction and mission and we are steadfast in our resolve to continue that mission and will do whatever it takes to see that continue. Our workers and partners have this same spirit and none of us are looking back, looking only forward to the future and what God has for us and this work. The work is going forward and we are preparing to go to Brazil. We will be leaving the 20th of this month to make sure all is going in that direction and encourage the ones whom are in the trenches.

Ana Paula started a youth service; they meet every Saturday morning at 10. It has been growing and she; Sandra and Fabiana are very inventive with this program.

**(Youth Group)**



They use this time to speak about the hard issues of our times. The kids do not get a lot of direction from their families. These are kids that come from very dysfunctional homes, filled with drugs, alcohol, Satan worship and violence. This is their time of refuge and hope; a time of learning about how their lives can be changed for the positive and that there are people who care and a loving Father who cares and loves them. Here they get to hear not only the Good News, but have some fun too.



**(Praying)**

We have had pizza night, sports day and most teenagers' favorite activity "food day"

**(Feeding Frenzy)**

After the service they just got to hang out and eat their way through the rest of the day. All this was prepared by Ana and her crew; they work very hard to make these kids feel loved and special. They are very special people and please keep them in your prayers. We have learned that you don't change the message,



but change how you deliver the message and if offering a hotdog gets a kid to come to church; then you offer a hotdog. The important thing is that they come and they have the opportunity to get not only good food, but the word of God into their hearts.

Don't think we have abandoned the little ones. This program has grown from 5 to 50 in the last few months.



**(Having Fun)**



**(Taking Home Food and the Word)**

They are getting special attention and they are participating in the food program and evangelization.



**(Feed Us)**

They are hard at work these days preparing for our visit. They will be doing a play for us and they are making costumes and decorations special for this day.

Our Partner Novidade de Vida has several programs that try to teach people ways that they can help themselves. One of their programs is: Projeto Arte para Gerar na Comunidade, Art Project to Generate income in the Community.

**(Art for Sale)**



They teach them different art skills; so they can sell their items.



**(Teaching them how to Fish)**

We will be spending a lot of time with this group and are expecting great blessings.

Speaking of blessings...The saying that God taketh and giveth is true in our family. My mother is gone, but rejoicing in Heaven, and we have a new family addition: David Anthony Evans II

**(Angel)**

Named after his proud grandpa, born on September 28 and a whopping 6.12 pounds, proud parents of my son Adam and his wife Briana.



Great Grandma Josephine was very aware of this upcoming blessing and although she is not here; I know her and my dad are looking down and saying "Yea".

Thank you for letting me share my personal happiness and thank you for sharing in this journey for the children and families in our community in Brazil.



**(Proud Papa)**

**Jer. 29:11 (NIV)**

"For I know the plans that I have for you," Declares the Lord, "Plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future."