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Well, the light at the end of the Covid tunnel for Brazil turned out to be a dark hole. Brazil is now #1 in the world for deaths and new cases, and vaccines are slow and hard to find. Nurses are injecting people with empty vials so that they can give the real injection to their families. Politicians are just pointing fingers at each other as the numbers only get worse day after day.

Sao Paulo, our area of ministry, seems to be the epoch center of this new wave. They are in complete lockdown again and just keep extending the date. Just as we were getting back on the streets, into the neighborhoods and able to minister in person, we must adjust our methods yet again. We did have a strong start this year and we will adjust, but we are not stopping! God's work keeps us on our toes!

God has provided in such miraculous ways, keeping our people safe and healthy, and I honestly believe that He is covering us even more in this time. He even sends us emissaries who tell us that certain areas are a no-go zone for the day, (usually due to increased gang and drug activity), so we simply turn and go to the next area.

Thank you!

Each of these precious individuals pictured here are involved in our feeding and ministry programs. They are from several different neighborhoods where we work, including Capao Redondo, Cipo, Sao Bento, Jardim Noronha, and Vera Cruz. Their lives are being changed and sustained through your prayers and support!



Testimony from the field: Vinde a Mim

Our program *Vinde a Mim* (Come unto me) has been moving along and growing. The lockdown has stopped in-person visits and ministry so we are doing online ministry. We are still able to get food delivered, but the deliveries are made to a general area and the families pick it up from there. One of our participants from *Vinda a Mim* reached out with an emergency help call for Evandro and his family.

Evandro is a single father of 4 boys; his wife is addicted to drugs and alcohol and lives on the street. This is just a guy trying to do his best for his family. There was a major rainstorm and his house, a shack, was flooded. He sent his kids to a relative's house while he was trying to clean up.



Two of our ladies with *Vinda a Mim* went to the house and dropped off some items while he was cleaning up. One of the ladies, someone who works everyday in this area and is acclimated to the environment, got sick and almost fainted, so they did not stay long.



We soon found out that Evandro had to go to the emergency room that very night. He had contracted Leptospirosis, a disease transmitted through rat urine that was in the flood water. He was convulsing and his heart stopped two times, but he made it through the night.

The next day they put him on Hemodialysis to clean his blood, and he is improving. The mere fact that he was able to get to a hospital and that they cared for him in this manner is a miracle! We know that he can not go back to his house, and his sister Angela has a property that she will let us build on for him. Due to Covid restrictions we can't get to the property to estimate how or what the cost will be to build, but we are determined and God will make a way to have something built and ready for him and his family.



We are enlisting people and other family members, and they are willing and able to get this job done.

Please pray for God's grace, guidance, and provision in this matter! God bless you.

Good news alert!!!

Our improved website has been launched! Same address, brazilianchildren.org, just updated and improved and we can now accept donations online through PayPal! Check it out!

