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MISSIONARY IN BRAZIL



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A SPECIAL VISIT IN SPRING

Prayer

- For our new school year, which starts at the beginning of March. May the Lord bring us many students, and may we prepare them well for their vocational calling.
- For the kids who went to camp. May they continue to grow in their relationship with Jesus.
- That I would balance my responsibilities well with my ministry at the seminary, administrative responsibilities with our field, and my own studies for my doctorate.

Praises

- For how the Lord used Carol to impact the lives of our seminary students and minister to our church and us as missionaries.
- For 13 men and women who finished their seminary degree.
- For the opportunity Carol had to serve as an assistant camp counselor for the first time.

The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone.

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it.

JOHN 1:4-5 (NLT)

SEMINARY NEWS

It was great to have Doctor Carol Potratz with us in Brazil for a month. She has been my long-term mentor since I started in ministry, so what a joy it was to share all that is happening in Brazil. We kept Carol very occupied while she was with us. She started by speaking at a ladies' spring tea at Connection Baptist Church. Then she taught a two-week intensive class in Public Speaking to the students in our Pastoral Formation program. Instead of having to teach to most of our students online, Carol and I traveled to close-by cities where there were clusters of students and held classes in Baptist churches in these cities. The students who live close to these churches attended in person



while the rest of the students watched online. On the night the students were present with us, they did their speeches. That way they could do their presentation in front of an audience. All in all, we traveled to four different cities twice, and it worked much better than we expected.



After two weeks of class, we headed to Iguassu Falls for a missionary retreat with the Jones family, led by Carol. Our theme was “A Pause that Refreshes.” It was a blessing! We returned and prepared for seminary graduation. We had 13 students graduate, and all but one was able to participate in the ceremonies. I had the honor of

giving the commencement address. Carol was invited to bring greetings from the North American Baptist Conference, honoring our partnership with the seminary since its founding in 1979. Graduation also happened to be on Carol’s birthday, so the Brazilians had fun celebrating her day. The day after grad, our church had its annual Christmas picnic and the next day, on Sunday, Carol spoke at our Christmas service.

CHURCH NEWS

Summer Bible camps have just wrapped up. Once again through generous offerings from North America, 30 children and adolescents from poor communities were able to participate. Also, Carol, a teenager from our church, was an assistant counselor for the first time ever. We are so proud of her!

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