

Dear friends and supporters,

We have had a rather strange year, and what feels like a fruitful year. We have seen the Lord work in so many ways. There was the time when we were able to do some training in Bible teaching before the Covid crisis hit. We were able to distribute many, many Portuguese Bibles, (we lost count). We were able to translate a number of materials related to health: a booklet on preventative health, several pamphlets on Covid 19, and classes to teach people how to make masks for their families or to sell. We were able to work on getting a list of key terms and grammar points that are key to translating the Bible. We were able to translate a couple of booklets on how the Jews lived that also have an evangelistic part to them. We have been able to translate the story of Joseph, Creation, and the Flood. These are still being edited and checked, but it was so good to begin working on these things and be able to share them as we check for comprehension and accuracy. We have been able to share several times in evangelism through a local radio program that was started because of lock downs. It has been a blessing to see this flow out of our relationships with churches. Another aspect of our relationships with churches was a couple of conferences that I was able to speak at this last week. It is good to see churches beginning to catch a vision of sending missionaries and evangelizing their areas. As a result, there are most likely to be several opportunities to do missionary training in these churches to help them with their ministries. We are hoping to partner with a Baptist church here for widening evangelism and starting churches in our area over the next three years. This was one thing that we had done last year as well with some churches in Maputo.



There have been many challenges. There have been the border closures and the lock downs. There have been restrictions on church services and even on working in offices. We have seen another missionary family lose their son, and last month we thought we were going to lose our daughter. We were due to have a home assignment, but due to the travel restrictions, our consulates are not issuing visas just yet and our 10 year visas are now expiring (Yeah, 10 years of marriage!). Thankfully, God used the doctor to save her life. In the end, God is faithful to comfort and strengthen our hearts.

We are so thankful to all of you who have given so generously over the years, and praise God for all that He has done.

Please pray with us for this need, and these areas of ministry that we hope to continue.

In Christ,

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