
THE LOOP FAMILY

MISSIONARIES TO PORTUGAL

November-December 2017

Dear praying friends,

Where to begin? Many things have happened since our last prayer letter which we are excited to share with you.

In our previous prayer letter, we mentioned a family that travels 45 minutes to attend our services. The husband and wife became members of the church in November. The husband has started to play the guitar during the services and has expressed an interest in getting more involved. It's always encouraging to see people with the desire to serve.

Another young couple in the church just approached us two weeks ago also expressing an interest in joining the church. David plans to meet with them soon to speak about their testimony of salvation and baptism. Please pray for this couple.

The ladies had another tea in November and enjoyed fellowship and a challenge from God's Word. They always seem to look forward to the next tea.

Our Christmas service is scheduled for December 17th. The choir has been practicing each week in preparation for this special service and the costumes are being made for the young people who will have a part in the service. Please pray with us that there will be visitors present as we share the greatest gift ever provided - the gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ. "...I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). The theme for this year's Christmas service is *If Jesus Had Not Come*. If Jesus had not come, there would be no gift of eternal life. However, He did come providing salvation for all mankind!

In November, our car broke down along the highway and needed to be towed. Previously when a warning light came on, David took it to the mechanic. We were about to take a 4 hour trip and several mechanics informed him that it was safe to drive. To make a long story short, the car should not have been driven. Although it was still under warranty, we were responsible to pay for the repairs since we were informed incorrectly by several mechanics. We thank the Lord that we made it home safely and that the car is now repaired and is running well.

We are especially burdened for one of our young ladies who has moved in with an unsaved young man and has stopped attending church. She used to be faithful and brought her nieces to church. Please pray for God to work in her heart.

As we approach the Christmas season, we wish all of you a Merry Christ-centered Christmas as we celebrate the real reason for the season - God's greatest gift.

Your missionaries to Portugal,

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