
THE LOOP FAMILY

MISSIONARIES TO PORTUGAL

May-June 2019

Dear praying friends,

These last two months have been full of activity here in the ministry. At times it can be exhausting, but we are reminded of the verse in Galatians 6:9 which says, "And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season ye shall reap, if ye faint not." Our desire is that we would remain faithful in His service knowing that in due season we will reap fruit due to our faithfulness. Above all, we want God to be glorified in all that we do.

On Easter Sunday, our choir sang a special song entitled "Não Chores Mais". The words were taken from the account in John 20, where the Lord spoke to Mary Magdalene. His words to her were, "Mary, why weepest thou?" The whole point of the song is that we have no reason to weep as believers because we serve a risen Savior. One of the ladies in the church read a poem that was written by one of our dear sisters who is now in the presence of our Lord.

Here in Portugal Mother's Day is celebrated on the first Sunday of May but to avoid the emphasis the Catholic church places on Mary, many of the Baptist churches celebrate Mother's Day on the second Sunday of the month. The mothers in the church received a flower showing our appreciation for them. We thank God for godly mothers.

We are grateful to have our daughter Jocelyn here with us for the summer. She just finished her junior year in college. Lord willing, she will graduate next May with a bachelor's degree in Biology. Please pray as she seeks God's will for her life after graduation. Jocelyn's friend came with her to Portugal for two weeks. During this time they held a one day children's activity focusing on God's creation. They called the special activity Creation Investigation. The church was set up with different stations for each of the six days of creation. Nine children showed up for the activity. The day was filled with lessons and activities for each creation day. Throughout the day, the children learned a new song, memorized a Bible verse, made projects, and received prizes as well as a T-shirt. She is currently working on another activity for July.

On May 26th, the church celebrated its 11th anniversary. Our hearts were extremely thrilled as 65 people crammed into our small auditorium. Of those who were present for the service, around 15 of them were first time visitors. Most of the visitors were invited by a dear couple in our church who just recently joined the church. We are thankful for the group of people God has brought our way, and for His faithfulness during these 11 years as an organized church.

Your missionaries to Portugal,
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