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## **The Tavares Family *Missionaries to Brazil***

***“Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation. Selah. -Psalms 68:19***

Dear Pastors and Praying Friends,

We are very grateful to God for all He has done last year with our lives, family and ministry. God is good all the time!

We praise the Lord for Children's Christmas Cantata. It was a blessing seeing them praising the Lord through songs and having some of their parents attending the services and hearing the preaching of the Gospel.

We praise the Lord for the salvation of Maria, Marcio, and Fabio. Fabio was brought to church by his wife Fatima who is a new believer. We praise the Lord for her testimony and for sharing the Gospel with her family.

We had a special blessing with the coming of Tiffany, Kayla, and her husband, Ivan, to spend Christmas and the New Year with us. What a joy it was to be together again! The house was full and we had a wonderful time! Kayla and Tiffany helped us in the ministry with the children. Tiffany played the piano for the services and sang for the special music. We also had the privilege of hearing Ivan preach during our evening service. We praise the Lord for the wonderful time we had together as a family !

We are so thankful the Lord has blessed us in being able to install a baptistry in the church building. We used to baptize in a vinyl swimming pool outside, but this summer (yes, it's summer in Brazil right now!) we are getting rain almost every day and we could not hold the baptisms. With God's provision the new baptistry is almost ready. This is also being made possible because a man who has been visiting the church in Galo Branco, who is a mason, offered his services at no cost. This man is not yet saved and we are taking this time together to win him to Christ. Please, pray Fabrício's salvation.

Please pray for the new visitors at the church in Itaboraí. Janaina and her 19 year old son Vitor, are regularly attending the services. We have been witnessing to them for several years. Janaina is very eager to learn the Bible. Please pray for their salvation.

We would like to thank the churches and friends that provided funds for us to buy a new van. It was not enough to replace our 1999 VW Kombi. Cars are very expensive in Brazil. We decided to put the funds towards rebuilding the old one we have. It went through a lot of mechanical and body work. So far it is working all right.

We ask the Lord to continue to use our lives in this new year for His honor and glory! We thank you for the many encouraging cards, letters, birthday cards and gifts for Marilza and our Anniversary. May the Lord continue to bless you and your ministry.

Under His Care,  
Paulo and Marilza Tavares

#### Prayer Requests

- \*God to use our lives to see more souls saved
- \*Leaders in the Church
- \*Safety
- \*Health

