

JOE & LISA EDGE

Your missionaries in the Amazon



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Dear Pastor & Friends,

A big hello from the Edges serving our Lord in the Amazon region of Brazil. We are delighted to report to you of all that is going on here in Santarem.

We have finally got the Calvary Baptist Church started. Lisa and I both have had some health issues. I experienced headaches like never before in my life. The CT scan was clear but the Dr. told me that I have some problems in the memory part of my brain. I could have saved \$300.00 because I already knew that. :-) Lisa also had some health issues to deal with, but nothing real serious. After the series of medical test were over with, Lisa and I worked tirelessly to get the new work started. On the 22nd of March we had our first service. There is not any Baptist Church in that part of town and I really thought that we would grow fast, but was I wrong. We feel like we have invaded the Devil's domain and it appears that Calvary Baptist is not going to start as fast as our first work did. We have had a high of 9 and several services just Lisa and me. The Saturday before we had our first service we gave out 400 fliers and tracts. One thing for sure is those empty seats have made me realize the awesome need that we have for our Savior and the convicting power of the Holy Spirit. I will find myself praying and fasting more in the months to come. Quitting is not an option and with the Lord's help we will see a work established here at the Calvary Baptist Church.

Our Bible Institute is going good. We have 5 students this semester and hoping to have more starting in our September classes. In June we hope to start on the church building. Our plans are to at least get the floor and walls started. We have little space now, but when we start to grow we want to be ready. Thanks so much for those of you that have sent special offerings for the building.

In between our prayer letters, Lisa sends out e-mail updates and pictures on what is going on here. If you would like to be added to this mailing list please send a note to brazilnana2an@yahoo.com and let her know. Also, we have a web site with updated pictures www.joedge.com

I know that we are in perilous times and the need is great in any direction you want to turn. The Lord has been so good to us giving us churches like you as our co-laborers in the work of God. What a blessing it is to serve Him in this generation. May the Lord richly bless each of you.

Because of Calvary,
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II Cor. 8:9

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For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be rich. 2Co 8:9