

August 13, 2007

Friday we had our annual **Father's Day** banquet at the church. The meal was luscious and the fellowship good. Ed challenged the men on how to be good fathers. On Saturday we had a good turn out (13) at youth group with one visitor. Davi finished the study in ProTeens and we had a rousing game of bind volleyball. Sunday our numbers were down but we had visitors in both the morning and evenings services. In my Sunday school class we are studying the life of Paul and we worked on a better understanding of the wordless book so that we can share the Good News with our friends.

Pray for one of our church families in particular. They are going through a horribly difficult situation and need your prayers for God's protection, intervention, and direction.

Ben and Daniele are house hunting and have put in a bid on a one near the church. **Ed and Jan** are packing everything up for their move to Curitiba at the end of this month.

Dawn and I are considering a move as well. We want pastor **Davi and Claudia** nearer the ministry. With Davi and Claudia so far away they are virtually isolated from the work. Their car is a constant problem and if they can move into our house they would be able to walk to church easily. We actually purchased the house in which we are living for their use. On our arrival last year we thought that we would be able to find a house and make a quick move. However, several factors seemed to close that door. But, we are going to begin rattling that doorknob again. Just this morning I read Jesus' command to "keep on knocking, asking, and seeking" (Matthew 7). So that is what we plan to do. **Pray** that God will direct us to another house soon.

Annie starts work again today and **Jackson** will be testing the fatherhood waters as he spends some quality time alone with Gabriel. Pray for all concerned! They have a cell phone now and if you would like to give them a call their number is 011-55-41-9696-6331.

--

Mike