# The HORTON FAMILY Newsletter Taking the Light of Jesus to Northern Brazil

# Planting New Testament Baptist Churches

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#### On The Mend

On March 19, I had right shoulder rotator cuff surgery at the hospital here in Palmas. The doctor seemed to do a good job, and has given me a good prognosis for recovery. I am now starting the slow process of physical therapy, including learning to do many things with my left arm and hand. Thankfully, I have limited use of my right hand, at least enough for me to be able to type. Thank you for praying for me during this time of surgery and rehab.

A couple of weeks ago, Antonia also started physical therapy for a years long problem with her back and hips. We are happy to report that she is progressing well and feeling some better, although it will be a slow process. **Please pray** for her as well.

## **Ministry News**

The Independent Baptist Church of Palmas continues to plug along as we reach out to the community through our prayer ministry and tract ministry. Those are two things that people rarely refuse here in Palmas! Through the prayer ministry in local businesses, my goal is to see doors open so that I can show God's love as well as His undying desire for a relationship with man.

We still have not found a suitable rental place for the church to meet in, so **please pray** that God will open a door there. Until then, we continue to meet once a week at the hotel meeting room, and once a week in a private home for prayer.

#### A Great Opportunity

For several years, our family has prayed and waited for an opportunity to take the family to visit missionaries in other countries, wherever that may be. I've always been interested in seeing how fundamental Baptist churches are faring in Europe, Asia, etc., as compared to South America. During our last furlough, we were invited to visit the home and work of some missionary friends of ours in Germany. After praying about it and seeking approval from our pastor and mission director, we have decided to take a trip at the end of May, for a few weeks, to visit two missionary couples, one in Germany and one in Great Britain (Wales). Since the train from the U.K. to Germany goes through France, we will have the opportunity to make a short visit there, and we have decided to stop in on one or two other places nearby as well. My mom has located some of her relatives in the U.K. and Germany, so we also hope to make contact with them (on her behalf!). This trip will end up being a missionary as well as a vacation trip, one last time before our daughters both go off to college and their future families.

I would like to emphasize that God has provided the funds for us to take this trip. Nevertheless, the funds are personal money that we have purposely set aside over an extended period of time, and we are not using church or ministry funds for this trip. We just thank the Lord for this opportunity, and we pray that we can be used by Him to be a blessing to the missionaries we will be visiting, as well as be encouraged ourselves. **Please pray** for us as we excitedly make preparations for this trip.

"To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God..." Acts 26:18a