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*But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord . . . Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests." Luke 2:10-11, 14*

Merry Christmas! We hope that the "good news of great joy" is yours this Christmas season and that your holidays are filled with special celebrations with family and friends. We are grateful for another blessed year of serving God here in Recife, Brazil. We continue to share God's Word in the community of Dois Unidos through Bible studies and family care projects. Reaching others with a holistic approach, we continue to partner with Pastor Amos and the Presbyterian Church. A new prayer partner project of our women's ministry has been a wonderful blessing for the ladies in the community, being a part of a family of faith connected through prayer and across thousands of miles. God has also opened the door for our ministry to work with and disciple two wonderful pastors, Alberto and Pablo, and their church in Rio Doce (area of Recife). The Faith Work team that was here in August had the opportunity to be a part of this church's mission in its community, growing the church and helping those in need.

While continuing to teach discipleship training and conducting regular ministry activities, this year Craig has adjusted to increased responsibilities as SAM Brazil field director. One ministry that he has new responsibilities with is Ammi Training Center, located in Chapada, Brazil. It is a Bible training center for the Indigenous. We are grateful for our Recife national missionaries, Djaniro and Esterfania who work so hard daily in the various ministry projects. Djaniro will be teaching music full time as we will be opening the ministry music school in the coming months. Mary, Esterfania and Shelby work closely with women's and children's ministries. Our family has been adjusting to changes at home with Gennifer now at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. She is enjoying college and doing very well. Shelby is now a high school sophomore and doing well in her home school studies. We are proud of both our girls! They grow up way too quickly!! We are looking forward to spending these Christmas holidays together in Recife. Our family is planning for a home ministry assignment furlough sometime in 2014.

#### Ministry Objectives for 2014:

- Teaching and discipleship in the local church
- Training and leadership development founded in holistic ministries using the Harvest Foundation Resources
- Transforming lives through the art of music and through sports ministry

Ways that you can be a part of this ministry with us include praying, serving, sharing and giving. Our faithful prayer partners are vital to our ministry. Please pray with us and for us. Friends who come and serve with us are a wonderful blessing for everyone. Please share with your friends and church what God is doing here on the mission field and let us know how we can communicate with others as well. Financial giving is a necessity for us and our ministries. We are very grateful for all who make financial investments for our monthly support budget, one-time gifts and special ministry projects. Thank you for all of the ways you help us and our ministry; know that you are an encouragement and blessing to us and to others.

Wishing you a Christmas season filled with Christ's love and a New Year rich with His blessings!

*Craig, Mary, Gennifer and Shelby DeLille*