

The Evangelism Trail -February 2025 Edition

This has been a very busy month of travel and "sharing Jesus" for Patti and me. February 6th - 9th we were in Wakulla, FL



for a Fogiven Ministry "One Day with God" for 19 dads, their 24 children, 8 caregiver and 65 volunteers at Walkulla Correction Facility. We flew out on the 12th to Sao Luis, Brazil (30 hour travel) for the new church dedication for friends SL and Joy Anne Williamson that were once on the mission field there. More on that. We flew home on the 20th (30 hour travel time) in time for the February 21st monthly visit to Mission of Hope. We had 51 men attend our training on "The Power of the Father's Legacy." Lee Wilson, our Brazil host

and his son attended the training with us and Lee spoke about the trip. Patti and I pull out with trailer in tow for Hartwell, GA. at Whitworth Woman's Correction Facility on March 4th-11th for a Forgiven Ministry "One Day with God" for 31 kids and their 22 mothers. They are expecting 100 volunteer from 5-6 states to participate with the children behind the walls with their mothers.





What an honor to travel to Sao Luis, Brazil for the church dedication for the late SL and Joy Anne Williamson. Lee Wilson, a life long friend of SL and Joy Anne had the heart and vision to build a church to honor them. He initiated the entire thing from purchase of property, the building of the church by raising money for the construction of the church with help from our church Luke 4:18 Fellowship, a number of ministry organizations and individuals. Lee and David Middleton, both from Mobile have been traveling to many parts of Brazil building churches for the past 13 years. They along with the local Pastors kept us moving during the 3 day dedication period. Patti spoke and shared her two books, "The Gospel Parade" and "Hell

is Forever: The Way of Escape" in a school and 2 churches for the childen's ministry and worship services. I was able to do programs in one school and two churches. I shared a three part message at the new church Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. On Sunday night our US Team was blessed to hold the first "Lord's Supper" in the new church. The Alabama and local church dedication team pictured above left: Larissa our interpreter, David, Patti, Joe, Lee, Pastor Francisco our host and Mateus our other interpreter.

From Patti's heart: From the first ZOOM planning call with Pastor Francisco, I knew we were in for a "Spirit-led" trip. Our first "out of country" trip since the pandemic proved to be both eye-opening and exciting. First, Pastor Francisco's energy and love for Jesus proved to be both thrilling and exhausting, at the same time. God gave us strength and we were able to bring encouragement and present the Gospel at every venue.

While planning, the pastor learned about Joe's programs then said, "I want to hear about Patti's books, and I want her to share at 2 church services, and read her children's book at a school and a Sunday School class!" Well, I guess he didn't know that my role in most of our trips is being Joe's cheerleader and helper, plus, eating and shopping!

"Lord, I'm not a speaker," I said in my very own Moses' voice. But I found that God had given me a "platform" of telling people how to be Rescued From Hell, which is what I spoke on in those services. And as I experienced the Love of Jesus in both services, I knew there were a lot of Christians there, so I made sure to say that there may be ONE person there who doesn't know Jesus as their Lord and Savior, they were why I was there. So, all in all, Joe and I had a mission of encouragement to God's people of Brazil, their pastors and our interpreters, and through his programs and our "sermons" we shared the Salvation message of Jesus Christ in a foreign land once again.

"But as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, even so we speak, not as pleasing men, but God who tests our hearts." 1 Thessalonians 2:4 NKJV

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Mateus and Joe Message



Pastor Francisco



Youth program



Joe, Francisco, David, Lee



Youth program



Patti at school book reading



Lee with SL and Joy Anne plaque



Patti with beautiful young lady



Nightly church crowd



Patti, Larissa and me