# CMS link letter

## Link Letter No.7 March 2014

#### Dear friends,

We hope that you are all well and enjoying the spring weather. We're technically moving into "autumn" in the NE of Brazil, although that makes no difference to the temperature (mid 30s°C) but might cause the odd (welcome!) rain shower. It's been a busy time here at ReVive; read on to catch up on the main bits. We thank you all so much for your continued support and prayers.



# Andy and Rose Roberts CMS mission partners Brazil

Andy and Rose Roberts are CMS mission partners working in Olinda in Brazil. For the past four years they were serving in My Father's House (MFH), a project for vulnerable and 'high risk' children and in the Living Waters Anglican parish. They have now stepped down from their work with MFH to work with an organisation called caleld ReVive, helping the many girls who have either been forced into prostitution or are suffering abuse.

# Family news

The main bit of family news is that Rose is pregnant again! We'll be expecting another addition to the family around the end of July (hopefully after the World Cup!). From the looks of things, it is another girl so Sofia will have a little sister arriving! Rose is doing well but do keep her (and the new baby) in your prayers as

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the pregnancy progresses.

Sofia is now one and a half and is growing up fast! It's a joy to watch her play and we're lucky to spend most of our time in the spacious ReVive house where there's plenty of garden for her to run around and play in.

### ReVive is open!

ReVive Brazil has finally received the necessary

documents and authorisations from the government to work with children! This means that the government can send girls to the house at any minute.

Unfortunately, none have arrived as yet but we're currently in the process of transferring some girls from a state run home to the ReVive house. Pray that they might arrive soon.



The Revive House

Whilst all this has been happening we've been busy

getting the ReVive house ready to welcome the girls. We arranged a full day where around 50 volunteers came to help us paint the outside of the house (Brazil colours, of course!). It took our small team a lot longer to redecorate and repair the inside and buy the necessary furniture etc... But now, the house is looking great and is ready for the girls' arrival.

At the end of last year we ran a selection process to recruit our staff team and then ran staff training throughout January. We now have a total of 11 people in our ReVive family and are extremely grateful for the great team that God has provided us.



### Street ministry

Every Friday night a team from ReVive heads out onto the streets of Olinda until the small hours of Saturday. We take sandwiches, coffee, clothes, medicine, a listening ear and an encouraging word to the homeless and prostitutes on the streets. We're extremely well received and have built up some good friendships with the people we meet. They

Street ministry

always ask for prayer and it's humbling to hear stories of simple faith amongst broken lives. You can watch a video of our streets' Christmas special here http://vimeo.com/82837098



Street ministry



The ReVive Team

We cooked a Christmas meal for our homeless friends and took it to the streets.

# **Prayer points**

- Give thanks for the new pregnancy. Pray for the baby and for Rose as the pregnancy develops and for a safe and healthy delivery.
- Pray for wisdom and strength for Rose and me, as we lead the ReVive team.
  - Pray that the girls may

arrive soon and settle in well.

- Pray for our team as they work with these girls and their families.
- Pray that God will provide the necessary financial support to cover the ministry's needs.



A Relive meeting

#### Useful links:

- www.revive-international.org
- **www.facebook.com/reviveinternational** like our page to keep up to date
- **www.youtube.com/andyrob85** watch videos about our work.

With love,

Andy, Rose and Sofia

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