

Update from Olinda, Brazil – 18 August 2008

1. Ian has asked for prayer for the arrival of 83 new children on 18 August. These children have had no connection with the church but have been on the dump recycling rubbish and the council have sent them to Living Waters with two teachers, a pastor, a cook and a male helper. This is a new team and a large contingent of new children and Ian is convinced this needs our prayers for God to make it work.
2. The names and ages of the boys at My Father's House update, there have been a few changes:

Adenilson (15), Wandereson (15), Rodrigo (15), Michel (15), Inaldo (15), Joao Lucas (14), Deyvison (14), Iveson (13), Francisco (13), Fabio (12), Gabriel (7). The new boys are doing well coming off drugs but one boy is finding stopping smoking very hard.
3. There have been some team changes. **Enogue** has moved to the teenage team at Living Waters, the team is lead by **Pastor Helio** from the Pentecostal Church. **Elias** and a lady called **Elezio** are also members of this team.
4. **Luke** (31), a biology teacher from London has been helping at My Father's House over the summer holiday is returning home.
5. **Andy Robert's** group did great work with the children plus painting some murals.
6. Andy returns from England on Tuesday. **Andy and Rosie** are running the 18 plus group, which has 15 Christians and some fringe members.
7. **Joao Campelo** returns in October from his year in Sheffield and **Philip Canuto** goes to replace him as soon as his visa arrives.
8. **David**, a school teacher, is arriving 1st September for 8-9 months to work in My Father's House
9. **Val Burgess** has had good news about her father's surgery and is travelling to Olinda as soon as her visa comes through.
10. **Hannah Cross** arrives on the 9th September to work at My Father's House for 9 months.
11. **Daniel** who has been working at My Father's House for quite some time has married **Sarah** and they have moved to her home in London.
12. Please pray for **Jefferson** who is not involved at present and having spiritual difficulties.
13. The Presbyterian Church has bought a house by Living Waters to have as a Youth Centre. The programme is to teach life skills, cooking, money matters, drugs, sexual health, teenage pregnancy. This project is getting some Council funding.
14. However the funding from the Council for My Father's House is still an ongoing issue.
15. Compassion are not starting any new projects at present, so this is a waiting situation.
16. Two classrooms are urgently required to cope with the new students at Living Waters. These will be built above the office but need funding quickly.
17. The exchange rate is awful £1-00 is only 2.9 Reals (it was 4.9 when I visited four years ago).
18. **Hudson** has gone for an interview, a job as hospital administrator today. He is going to University in the evenings and working during the day.
19. Lastly all the family are well but **Simea** says working and worshipping at Living Waters is like being in a war zone. They had to leave in convoy yesterday because gunmen were on the streets.

Once again many issues for your consideration. Love in Christ. Beth