

Timbo, Santa Catarina, Brazil

May 24, 2010

Beloved Brother Ben and TCM Staff;

*"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice!" Philipians 4:4*

With great satisfaction we are enjoying the Lord's blessing in the ministry here. It is so good to see what God is doing through His Word and the proclamation of the Lord Jesus as the Light of the world.

We thank the Lord that our family is fine and the work advances well especially due to the move from Itajai to Timbo so as to be nearer the center of the work in Santa Catarina. On the 27 and 28 of March, we dedicated the lower level of the Church building in Timbo. This service was well attended with groups from Shangri-la, Guape, Pontal do Sul, Ibirania, Serra do Uru, Itajai e Blumenau. Pastor Gomer and Nene were in attendance--he preached the morning message and they both presented special music. At this festive occasion, two young men made decisions to receive Christ as Savior.

Our visitation program continues without interruption, we go out at different times of the day to reach the greatest number of people and we are also extending this ministry of visitation to the city of Indaial. These visits also open up great opportunities for tract distribution.

We, also, continue the work in Ibirama and Serra de Uru noting good spiritual development in believers at these locations. We hope to soon receive the deed to the property in Serra de Uru--this will greatly facilitate the work in that interior, mountainous area. Brother Antonio is continuing to pursue this legal process.

An exciting development at Timbo Church is the Monday night Bible Institute. The believers here requested these studies emphasizing Pauline Truth and help in responding to those of the charismatic persuasion. There are now some 20 enrolled in these weekly classes.

Carmem continues to work with the women and children. Our oldest daughter, Cristina travels from Itajai to supervise the youth ministry which greatly encourages us. Recently, some 100 young people attended a Saturday night meeting.

We praise and thank God for His working in our midst and want to thank you and the office staff for all you do to keep us on the field--praying for us, promoting our needs, and transferring our monthly stipend. What a privilege that we can work together. May the Lord richly bless all of you.

In Christ's Love,

Carlos Schmidt and family

