



Chinese International Missions, Inc.

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Third Medical STM to Northern Brazil Sharing

~Rev. Jorge Loo

I led the medical STM team for our third visit to Belém and São Luis in northern Brazil on September 3 ~13. The team consisted of the three participants from the previous trip – me, my wife, and dentist Dr. Flávia – plus dental assistant Michel, and sister Fu, who specializes in personal evangelistic work.

There were many first time visitors who came to the free clinic held at the Belém Chinese Christian Church. Among them was a Mr. Zhang who came from Wenzhou, China. From our conversation I learned that he comes from a Christian family, and he had been to church since he was little for Sunday school and worship services, although he hasn't been baptized yet. However, he stopped going to church after moving to Brazil since he couldn't find any Chinese churches, and with his lack of Portuguese language ability, he couldn't attend the Brazilian churches as well. But praise the Lord, through their visit to the free clinic this time, he and his wife now know there's a local Chinese church they can be part of! In addition, four new brothers and sisters were baptized into the name of Jesus during this STM trip. The Belém Chinese Christian Church was started on June 20 of this year and we ask the Lord to protect and guide its growth. May the establishment of this church let the Chinese Christians there to worship God together.

On September 6 we arrived at our second stop at São Luis. Because the next day was Brazil's bicentennial independence day holiday so we didn't hold the free clinic. The following day, September 8, happened to be the 409th anniversary of the founding of São Luis, and we started the free clinic until September 11. The venue was again the Chinese Chamber of Commerce building like last time, and because of its convenient location to other Chinese shops, the number of people who came to the free clinic exceeded the record established last time. Similar to our finding at Belém, we encountered several Chinese Christians who stopped attending church due to the language barrier. Praise the Lord that this time three people accepted Jesus as their personal savior – two local Chinese and our dental assistant, Michel! We ask God to also start a Chinese Christian church like that of Belém soon, so the local Chinese Christians at São Luis can gather to worship and praise God together.



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PRAYER REQUESTS

1. The lockdown under COVID for South Africa has dropped to level one in October. Please pray for the day when its people can resume their physical gatherings and ask God for guidance.
2. Whitney was vaccinated with the second dose of Pfizer on October 1. Please pray for safety. Rev Wu still has antibodies to the COVID virus during the recovery period due to the infection. After prayer, he decided to wait a while before getting vaccinated again but with Pfizer.
3. Pray for the Lord to pour wisdom and love onto Alex and Nicole to better shepherd believers and lead gospel friends to know the Lord Jesus.
4. As the end of the year is drawing near, law and order problems have become more serious in South Africa. Please ask that the peace of the Lord be with us and our brothers and sisters.
5. Pray for the participants of the preaching training course in Brazil: brother Zhou, sister Camila, sister Wang, sister Zhang, sister Feng, and brother Liu.
6. Pray for the gathering for the Chinese Christian Church in Belém, Brazil: Sunday worship, prayer meeting, fundamental truth Bible study.
7. Praise God that CIM Canada international worker, Janice Wong, is safely back in Ghana after her 3-month home assignment in Canada. Pray that she will re-adjust to life in Ghana as she continues her ministry there.
8. Pray for safety and protection as Pastor Matthieu Ayena ministers in Togo this month visiting with church leadership and doing visitations.
9. Pray for the recruiting effort underway to fill job vacancies in CIM for a Director of Ministry to oversee STM and daily operations, and an Executive Director successor.
10. Praise God that the annual meeting was successfully held over zoom on October 11. Board member Grant Zhang resigned due to illness. Pray that God will raise up a new board member to join the team.
11. Pray that God will move more brothers and sisters to join the ministry so God's kingdom would be more prosperous. Pray for God's abundant provision for all the financial needs of CIM.

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Beginning March 1, please call 408-596-4567 to contact CIM for questions or comments. Thank you for your continual support.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sept 2021

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Balance</u>
General	\$4,473	\$1,198	\$3,275
Missions	\$7,940	\$7,615	\$325
Total	<u>\$12,413</u>	<u>\$8,813</u>	<u>\$3,600</u>

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