



# Chinese International Missions, Inc.

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## CIM Brazil Short-Term Mission Sharing (Part 1 of 3)

~ Brother Wang Feng

### Belo Horizonte (9/4-8/2025)

Belo is Brazil's third-largest city, after São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro. There are approximately 2,000 Chinese people here. Most of them own small shopping malls, but there are also a few Chinese restaurants. Pastor You humbly and diligently serves the Chinese community here, possessing a gift of visitation and caring.

Sept 4th—We visited six shopping malls. We were so happy to visit them, pray for them, and invite them to church. We also thank God for the Chinese people here. They are hardworking, warmly serve the Brazilians, and get along well with the locals.

Rev Loo and his wife arrived in Belo from São Paulo yesterday. The mall owner is a Jewish Christian, and he always provides free space for Rev Loo's free clinics. Sometimes the Chinese shop owners are so busy during the day that they don't even have time to go to the clinic. So, Rev Loo brings his clinic to their apartments and sees them there in the evenings.

Sept 5th—We visited eight stores in a shopping mall in the city center and met several new immigrants. One young man came to Brazil alone at the age of 17 and, after eight years of hard work, has built a large store of his own. We prayed for them and invited them to join the church. Another young man came to Brazil with his uncle as a child and now runs a shop in Belo. He was baptized in the church but had not attended for a long time. We prayed for him and encouraged him to return. We visited several seekers, prayed for them, and invited them to join the church. We were deeply moved. One girl even shed tears while we prayed for her. The evening meeting was held at Brother Xing's restaurant, where he hosted dinner for us. A large crowd of about 40 people attended the meeting and shared their thoughts. There were more than ten teenagers, and a sister who grew up in Brazil is leading the children. The church is very vibrant. Please pray for the church and the children, asking God to bless and guide them.

Sept 6th—Visited shops in the city center. There were older immigrants, most of whom owned successful businesses and were eager to help newcomers. There were also those who were still working to immigrate. There was a young man who came to Brazil at 15 and now owns his own shop. He was very friendly, so I chatted with him, shared the Gospel with him, and invited him to church. I was moved by the hardships faced by the local immigrants, their hard work, diligence, and kindness. I pray that God will bless, protect, and guide them. Today I had a special experience. This morning, I went with colleagues from a local church to look at a house in the city center. Belo Church currently rents a Brazilian church for meetings, which is quite far from the center. To better serve the Chinese who own shops in the city center, the church has been praying for a place to rent in the city center for meetings. Thank God, the house we looked at today is perfect for the church, the price is reasonable, and the coworkers were very satisfied. As we were leaving, we noticed a small plaque in Portuguese on the door. Upon checking, it turned out to be from Psalm 126:3, "The Lord has done great things for us; we rejoice." This is a major event for Belo Church. Thank God for His abundant provision.

Sept 7th—Today is Brazil's National Day, and there's a parade in Belo. At noon, I visited an elderly brother with my church staff. In the evening, we worshipped together with the brothers and sisters from Belo Church. Sister Grace shared the Sunday message, "Worthy of the Calling," from Eph 4:1-16, encouraging the brothers and sisters to build the Body of Christ together in love.

Today, we visited Elder Xie, whose eyesight is poor, and he has been unable to attend church for many years. The church pastor and brothers and sisters often visit him. He and Rev Loo arrived in Brazil on September 7, 1966, Brazil's National Day, after sailing from Japan for over sixty days. Brother Xie was delighted by the brothers and sisters' visit, and he joined them in counting God's grace. Shortly after arriving in Brazil, Brother Xie began

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gambling. When he ran out of money, he began betting cigarettes one by one. He borrowed the money from the pastor and ended up losing over 100 cartons of cigarettes, gambling everything away. He came to the pastor and said, "I've lost all my money. How can I pay you back?" The pastor replied, "It's all written off. Just like the Lord Jesus wrote off your sins." Brother Xie believed in the Lord from then on. He had a difficult life, but he was protected by God. Although he now couldn't see everyone, he could hear their voices and feel the love of his brothers and sisters and God. Tears of joy and gratitude filled his eyes.

Sept 8th—Rev Loo gave a Brazilian stranger a massage and bone adjustment at a shopping mall. That evening, we had a farewell dinner at Brother Xing's restaurant with church members, adults, and children. Sister Lihua shared "Daily Prayer" (Matthew 6:9-13). We were grateful for the Belo church.

## PRAYER REQUESTS & THANKSGIVINGS

1. Thank God for leading Pastor Alex Ko and his team to reach the grieving and lost souls and gave them the opportunity to share the Gospel at the memorial service. Pray that the Lord would comfort the families and lead them back to Jesus.
2. Thank God for the serving staff and venue, allowing them to successfully launch their Tai Chi class at the Church in September. Pray that the Lord would use this ministry to lead people to faith.
3. Pray that the Lord would guide the ministry in Polokwane to grow, allowing them to reach more people and share the Gospel. Local brothers and sisters have recently encountered various disturbances. Pray for the Holy Spirit's protection and strengthening of the brothers and sisters.
4. Please continue to pray for assistance with the official registration procedures for the establishment of the Belo Church in Brazil.
5. Pray for the teenagers group leaders Claudia, Daniela and Rejane.
6. Continue to pray for the church to find a meeting place.
7. Please pray for the House of Mercy, that they will take care of the refugees both materially and spiritually. Pray also for peace talks and a ceasefire. There has been a lot of confusion about this process. Through it all, people in the Roma villages are still getting baptized and dedicating their lives to Jesus. The challenge for the churches is that many young men are fleeing the country.
8. Pray for guidance and direction for the next steps for CIM Canada in their Roma ministry. Pray for the short-term missions team to North Macedonia and Serbia between September 14 and October 7.
9. Pray for the pastors and teachers in Ghana. Pray for fruitful ministry and for God to provide for the needs of each pastor's family.
10. Please continue to 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. If you know of anyone who is interested and qualifies, please contact us.
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.

## NOTE

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## FINANCIAL REPORT

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	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<b>General</b>	\$35,620	\$11,346	\$24,274
<b>Missions</b>	\$39,438	\$30,979	\$8,459
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$75,058</u>	<u>\$42,325</u>	<u>\$32,733</u>

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