

# Chinese International Missions, Inc.

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# **CIM Brazil Short-Term Mission Sharing (Part 2 of 3)**

~ Brother Wang Feng

### Balem (9/9-11):

9/9—Another doctor joined the free clinic. There are over a dozen local Chinese Christians attending Brazilian churches. Thank God, whether in Belo or Belem, Brazilian churches are caring for the Chinese. Thank you, Lord!

9/10—We set up a free clinic in rural Belem. Three doctors worked tirelessly and lovingly from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. to serve the local Brazilian residents. Sister Zhang and her family, who brought us to the clinic, have a harmonious relationship with the local church and residents. The STM team, using simple translation, also had wonderful gospel sharing and testimonies with local Brazilian colleagues.

9/11—To ensure more people could attend, Rev Loo rescheduled the free clinic from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the activity room of the Chinese-populated apartment complex. This was Rev Loo's second free clinic there, and many people saw him the first time. Although everyone was busy with their businesses, the Chinese community here enjoyed a harmonious relationship, and everyone was happy. During the clinic process, the team was able to chat with everyone, share the Gospel, and have in-depth conversations, sowing seeds of the Gospel.

9/12—Many Chinese believe in Buddhism and rarely hear the Gospel. Thank God, people's attitudes are changing, and their hearts are loosening. I saw some Christians who once had churches to attend, but they no longer exist. Pray that God will lead them to rekindle their hearts and start Bible study and gatherings.

#### **Salvador** (9/13-16):

9/13—There are not many Christians here, and regular gatherings have been suspended for several years. Three young brothers and sisters supported and organized the free clinic and STM preaching in Salvador. Although they don't often gather together, they have a close relationship and enjoy good relations with other Chinese people. We've been particularly moved these past few days to pray that God would raise these brothers and sisters up to resume gatherings. We also established a WhatsApp group to connect them with several other Christian seekers. Pray for God's blessing and guidance.

A teacher from the Confucius Institute has been with us for the past two days. Today, we had a deep conversation about faith and family. She said she has finally understood the direction of her life. This evening, we had dinner with another Confucius Institute teacher and shared our faith. This teacher studies Christian history in China. Thank God, we can give him some direct experience with the current North American Christian church and church missions.

China has significant investment in Salvador. A sister works for a company that makes wind turbine blades. BYD has established a factory here and is already shipping vehicles. China Construction Company plans to build a cross-sea bridge here and has completed surveys. The new era of investment and economic exchange also presents new opportunities for immigrants from all over the world.

9/16—Returning to the Bay Area. Pray for Brazil, its people, the Chinese people living and working here, and our brothers and sisters here; ask God to bless and protect them.

# Belo Horizonte (9/4-8) ~Sister Lihua

The couples we visited today were all very hardworking. One is from Shandong and runs a relatively large electronics supply store. The husband isn't a Christian and rarely attends church, but their business is doing quite well. Another couple owns a luggage store. They have two sons in college and a daughter in high school. I could see anxiousness on the wife's face—business is struggling these days, and young people are having trouble finding jobs. She's clearly worried

Xiaoxin came to Brazil at the age of 14 and has lived here for eight years, running an electronics store on his own. When we invited him to church, he initially refused. Later, when I asked him why, he explained that he grew up in China and never believed in God. I then shared my own experience: I also grew up in China and even earned a master's degree, but I still didn't know God. Now, I've traveled over 30 hours from the United States to come here just to share Jesus with him. He admitted that he couldn't see the meaning of life. As we continued to talk, he gradually showed some interest. He also explained that he had been scammed many times in Brazil and felt more comfortable doing business with the Chinese, believing that Brazilians were not honest.

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#### Belem (9/9-11):

Sister Zhang, a local, mentioned that an international environmental conference would be held here in November. A major road, approximately 4 kilometers long, had been under construction for over a decade, causing severe traffic congestion, but it was finally repaired because of the conference. She lamented the rampant corruption in the local government.

I deeply realized that God's work transcends human language and ability. We were treating villagers at a local church. The church was essentially a large, simple building, and many Brazilians were waiting in line. At first, I wondered: How could the three of us from the United States help? After all, we didn't speak a word of Portuguese. Then, I noticed a woman in her seventies, her arm bandaged, and her face etched with pain. After the doctor treated her, I helped organize her medical records, but she still sat there, her expression agonizing. My heart was moved, and I said to Grace, "Perhaps we should pray for her." However, we had no way of communicating with her.

Just then, Sister Zhang and her son came over and said, "I can translate if you need me." What a miraculous provision from God! So, together, with Sister Zhang translating, we led the woman to a quiet corner at the back of the house. We placed our hands on her shoulders and prayed for her. It was a truly magical moment. Grace and I took turns praying, tears streaming down our faces. Sister Zhang, a former opera singer, memorized our long sentences with precision and translated them powerfully. I deeply felt the Holy Spirit working through her. Finally, Grace invited the woman to pray for herself, and she actually did, weeping and praying for herself and her family.

After the prayer, she testified: "Before the prayer, her arm had been in severe pain, but now the pain is gone!" She then shared her life story: at the age of five, her family moved to Belém. When she was seven, her mother passed away, and her father sold all his property and abandoned them, leaving her to care for her three younger brothers. She worked hard to raise her brothers, later gave birth to six more children of her own, and adopted eight children from the street. Today, these children have become successful people; some are in the United States, some are teachers, and some are studying mechanics. She is actually only 54 years old, but she looks older because of her suffering. She thankfully stated that despite a stroke that left her bedridden for six months, her spirit has never been low, and she even dreams of one day writing a book. She also told Sister Zhang that she would like to attend church with her on Sundays.

Although this day was long and tiring, it made me realize that whether it was healing, comfort, or spiritual transformation, it was all God's hand at work. His presence is real and wonderful, far beyond our imagination.

The Chinese Association in Belém offers free medical consultations and prayer services for local Chinese. There are approximately 60 Chinese businesses in Belém, most of which are family-run. The association's director was once a Christian, but because there are no Chinese churches in the area, he gradually stopped attending.

The people I met at the association today came from diverse backgrounds: some had believed in Christ early but stalled due to a lack of fellowship; some were suffering physically but remained steadfast in their faith that Jesus is light; some clung to Buddhism and refused to change; and some were beginning to reflect on their faith and their hearts were touched. I realized once again: We are merely sowers. The only one who can truly work, touch hearts, and bring about life-changing changes is God Himself.

# PRAYER REQUESTS & THANKSGIVINGS

- 1. Thank God for the Mid-Autumn Festival Gospel Sunday, which brought many fellow believers to attend. The brothers and sisters had a wonderful service, allowing fellow believers to hear the Gospel and see the Lord's love.
- 2. Thank God for allowing Minister Alex Ko and his team to experience the work of the Holy Spirit in their ministry, encountering souls in distress and finding comfort and encouragement through God's Word and prayer.
- 3. Pray for the Lord's guidance in the development of Minister Ko's ministry in Polokwane. Currently, the number of fellow believers and believers they need to visit is increasing, and their time is running out. They plan to allocate more time there in the future. Pray for God to help Minister Ko and his team wisely manage this. Local brothers and sisters often struggle with both environmental and spiritual disturbances. Pray for the Holy Spirit to protect and strengthen the hearts of brothers and sisters.
- 4. Please pray for the registration of Belo Church with the government and for its official name to be changed to Belo First Chinese Baptist Church.
- 5. Pray for the growth of Sister Claudia and the youth group she led.
- 6. Please pray for the bereaved family of our brother Xie Xinjie, who passed away at an advanced age.
- 7. Praise God for a successful STM to the Romas in Serbia and North Macedonia. Relationships were renewed and there were many opportunities to share the Word and encourage Roma believers. Pray for guidance for the next steps.
- 8. Pray for Janice in Ghana as she continues her ministry as our International Worker in Ghana. Pray for her transition back to Ghana after her 4-month home assignment in Canada. Pray for preparations for the November campus ministry missions team and guidance as she will meet with various pastors in the weeks/months ahead.
- 9. Please pray for Pastor Isaac as he has been diagnosed with colon cancer.
- 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

# Sept 2025

	<u>Income</u>	<b>Expense</b>	<b>Balance</b>
General	\$47,425	\$12,455	\$34,970
Missions	\$39,878	\$34,988	\$4,890
Total	\$87,303	<u>\$47,443</u>	\$39,860

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