

What is up my dear friends!! I hope you are all having a great Monday, and that your weekend was rewarding. This week was super milagronazona (Portuguese for "Super duper duper miraculous") and I feel blessed by the Lord to be a part of it.

To see me and Elder Barbosa try donuts and bonbons on a fire division, click on this link to join the google photos album: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/4P9d4ozmNzrznkWr7>

I'll try and keep this email short but we know that is impossible...

Eventos Notáveis:

- Tuesday we had a good lesson with a friend of ours, Jeferson. We almost cut him because it was super difficult to get a hold of him, but on Tuesday, we found out that his uncle is a member!!! Jeferson called him during the lesson and his uncle started crying after finding out that the Elders were teaching him. Super spiritual

- Wednesday, we had a fire division. I stayed here in Casa Grande and I received Elder Barbosa 🙏 He was in the office since January and only got out 1 week ago because of what happened to Elder Santana (see the email from July 24th). Elder Barbosa is incredible. Our day of work didn't even feel like work, it was incredible. We met a lot of new people and gave out some copies of the Book of Mormon, one of them to our new friend Diego

- Thursday, we were going to visit a media reference, and it required us going down a giant flight of stairs, only to go up on another one. I said no, and found a road that was technically a longer journey (according to Google Maps). While walking on this road, a drunk guy stopped us on the road and said, "I have one of your bibles!!" (Referring to the Book of Mormon) and then told us that he has a book that we've never seen and to come to his house to see it. I was so ready for it to be some other book from another church, but NO. It was a study manual for the Book of Mormon back from 2000. We left him with a pamphlet and a invite to church and said to come back another day. For me, that was a cool enough experience.

- Friday morning, we went to Diego (that guy we met on Wednesday on the division). His house is at the end of an alleyway. We talked with him about the Restoration of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. He told us that he believes and he's so thankful that he listened to us. We invited him and his family to church and he said he would try all they can to come. And then we saw him on the bus later that afternoon. We also had a fun noite familiar with the members in our neighborhood and we played a game where we just complimented each other. I also got 3 new ties 🙌

- Saturday morning, we were looking for an inactive member who had never been visited by missionaries in the past (at least in our system). We knocked on this house in a little alley and this woman answered and she said that they went to our church about 15 years ago. We have another meeting with them on Thursday. Then we traveled to the Sister's apartment to re-dedicate their house because some sketchy stuff was happening.

- Church was a miracle. Diego and his family weren't able to come, but the drunk guy, Hélio, did! I had absolutely no faith that he would come, but he arrived 45 minutes early (and sober). We showed him the baptismal font after church and an irmã from the ward talked with him and was like the perfect person for him. Hélio is having some problems at home, and the irmã was able to share about her story and conversion and Hélio started to cry. He says that he wants to change and be a better husband and father.

For the past 7 weeks, I have had an unfortunate streak of 0 friends at church. When we met Diego, I thought my streak was broken and that I would finally have someone in church. But the Lord provided a greater miracle. Not the one that I wanted (even though I'm sure Diego and his family will be here next week), but the one that we, and most importantly Hélio, needed.

Pensamento Espiritual:

This message is simple. I didn't have anything to share, but I wanted to share this talk from Elder Rasband of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles,

Let the Holy Spirit Guide

<https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/study/general-conference/2017/04/let-the-holy-spirit-guide?lang=eng>

I know that because of our Heavenly Father's immense love for each of us, He sends us messages from His voice, the Holy Ghost.

When we listen to these messages, we can see the change and miracles that He can wrought through our behalf. He loves us, and He will support us always.

I love you all. Have a great night and an even better week.

- Elder John Randall Gee 🇧🇷