



# NEWS FROM THE GAYLES

Serving in Brasilia, Brazil

## October Newsletter 2026

Dear Friends, Family, and Faithful Supporters,

This month began in the United States as we helped our family walk through the loss of my aunt. Yet what began as a difficult family journey became an unexpected opportunity for ministry. After I ministered at my aunts funeral, I ended up baptizing nine of my family members in the name of Jesus! We also had opportunity to minister in several churches while there in California. Our trip home ended up being a mission trip away from the foreign mission field! Glory to God!

I returned to Brazil in the middle of September. Genessa and the children stayed back in the U.S. to take care of some work with our house and to attend UPCI General Conference. They will be returning to Brazil after the conference! Two days after landing back in Brazil, I preach at our church in Itapoá. God moved in the service and the believers were excited to see me back and encouraged by the testimonies that we had experienced in the United States.

In September, I went to work with Pastor Orleide in Itapoá for da day. It's something I've always wanted to do. I wanted to experience what a normal day in his life looks and feels like. This pastor supports his family through a small street business, selling food and other items. He sets up a table next to a local store and works there from morning to evening Monday through Friday. Most pastors in Brazil work full-time secular jobs. However, the work that Pastor Orleide does is different from other pastors that I've seen here in Brazil or in the United States. It is something humbling about walking alongside a pastor and seeing the sacrifices he makes to serve God, take care of his family, and serve the community in the way that Pastor Orleide does. I felt this helped me understand his mission and vision for his church more after spending time with him that day.

Another experience this month has deeply impacted me. One of our pastors, who is elderly, has a daughter who is currently in intensive care. I got to visit his daughter with him every day for nine days, spending time in prayer, fasting, and encouraging him and his family. Thankfully, she is beginning to show signs of improvement. Sometimes we cannot fix the situation. Sometimes, God calls us to sit beside someone, pray with them, encourage them, and remind them that they are not alone. But that matters. That is ministry. That is the Body of Christ. And that is what missions looks like on an ordinary day.

**Prayer needs:** One of our most pressing needs right now is a vehicle in Brazil. This is not simply something that would make life more convenient. It has become a genuine ministry need. We may have to limit portions of our schedule if we are unable to secure a vehicle in the coming month. If God places it on your heart to help us toward this need, please contact us. We also will be traveling to the city of Manaus to speak at a District Meeting and a Lady's Conference. Please pray for a move of God there!

When I look back at this month, I see a series of circumstances that, on the surface, seem completely unrelated. A funeral in California. Nine baptisms. Churches across Northern California. A pastor selling food beside a store. A hospital intensive-care room. Nine days of prayer and fasting. A family separated by thousands of miles. A flooded home that still needs to be repaired. A need for transportation. Upcoming evangelistic meetings across Brazil. But when I step back and look at it through the eyes of faith, I see something different. I see God connecting the pieces. We went to the United States to comfort our family, and God gave us nine new opportunities to celebrate what He is doing in our family. We returned to Brazil, and God immediately opened doors to encourage pastors and churches. We believe that God is working behind the scenes in ways we cannot always see. And we are confident that God is doing something great!

Thank you for praying. Thank you for giving. Thank you for believing in what God is doing in Brazil. And thank you for standing with our family as we continue to do the work of the Lord. Only what we do for Christ will last!

In His Service,

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Funeral Service Message Sparks 9 Baptisms, Stockton, CA

Truth Worship Center, Grass Valley, C



Itapoá Church Service, Brasilia



Going to work with Itapoá Pastor