



# the Fritz Family

## missionaries to Cabo Verde



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### Dear praying friends,

We would like to thank you for your continued prayers on our behalf. We are blessed to have so many friends praying for us and the Lord's work here in Mindelo.

The differences from life in Praia, where we spent four years, and life in Mindelo continues to amaze us. I feel that we have arrived in a different country all together. Mindelo is much more influenced by Europe, where Praia was much more connected with Africa. We have been taking classes with the local version of Creole to help with communication and to distinguish ourselves from the myriad of tourists that visit from Europe. We miss so many of our friends in Praia, but God has graciously put some good folks in our lives in Mindelo.

On the list of new (to us) friends are the folks at Igreja Evangélica Baptista. Our church folks just finished attending a family conference hosted by this other congregation. The conference was a huge blessing and challenge to us personally as well as the members of Templo Baptista. One of our first observations upon arrival in Cape Verde was the difficulties facing families in this culture... what a blessing to see like-minded folks taking time to address these issues from a biblical perspective!

### Pray for our next steps...

During our furlough in 2022 we spent quite a bit of time via email and phone calls with missions directors, pastors and leaders that are closely connected with the ministry here. We laid out details, plans and objectives for our first six months. We are now nearing the end of this six months and are praying about the next steps that need to be taken. Please pray with us for wisdom and discernment in the decisions that will need to be made in the next few weeks as we determine the best way forward for our family and the folks we are ministering with here.

The opportunities here are abundant. In our city of 80,000 people, several neighborhoods could use good Gospel preaching churches. A few fishing villages also need to be reached around our island. Every day we see our mountainous neighboring island of Santo Antão across the channel...a 40 minute ferry ride away...an island with almost 40,000 people, where the gospel is scarcely being preached. Pray with us that God would lead us in a way that we can have the most impact on these islands for His glory!

### He is Worthy!

Nathan, Tina and family

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While we were stateside, we packed a few barrels of some literature, clothes, and household stuff as well as some of our children's toys, books and games... It was like Christmas when these finally arrived...



Andrew and I had the opportunity to go on a hike with our friends to a nice little spot at the base of one of our mountains... we jokingly (although accurately) called it the "forest of four trees" - trees are not exactly abundant on our dry island.

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