



the Fritz Family

missionaries to Cabo Verde



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Dear praying friends,

Thanksgiving is a unique American holiday. It is one of our favorites. It is a wonderful time to reflect back on a year that is winding down, with gratitude. We can see God's hand in every circumstance, and truly have many reasons to be thankful.

“Strategic partnerships”

I have heard various ministries use that terminology to refer to the way they work together - not to further their individual causes, but that they are mutually invested in the promotion of the cause of Christ. I am so thankful that God has brought us alongside of some folks who share in the passions that the Lord has placed in our hearts, such as: training healthy spiritual leadership, Gospel-centrality in ministry, promoting accessibility to and the reading of good literature, and the strengthening of families.

Our integration into Igreja Evangélica Baptista has been a wonderful blessing to our family. I firmly believe in the importance of the local church and the fact that all of us (even missionaries) need the encouragement, accountability, correction and pastoral care of a local church that knows us intimately in our daily lives. We are enjoying being a small part of what God is doing in this group of believers. Almost every week we hear stories of a missionary family that was at the church in the 90's and the lasting legacy that they left. Good foundations were laid that helped the church weather some very big challenges. We have learned in many instances in our time in Cape Verde the fact that we are part of God's continuing work... “God is always previous”... and in His timing and wisdom he brings us along to be used of Him. It is our prayer that our partnership with this church would be fruitful for many years to come.

We are seeking God's leading in areas that we feel we could help strengthen local pastors as well as help with missions/outreaches in different areas. We know that our resources (time, finances and energy) are limited and we want to use them faithfully as God would have us.

Trip to Portugal

I (Nathan) was able to take a 6 day trip to Portugal with our Cape Verdean pastor. Pastor Eudo is beginning a masters program in Expository Preaching. Most of the work is done at a distance, but every few months he will be traveling to Portugal to have an intense weekend of classes. I had the opportunity to tag along on this first trip to observe some classes. God has worked through interesting circumstances to bring this program to Portugal. The school in Portugal is a new extension of “Berea Seminario” based in León, Spain. I cannot fully express the encouragement that I received as I got to spend a little time with the 19 men that are beginning the program and the instructors that had made their way over from Spain to teach classes. There is something special to be in a group of men - each with unique backgrounds, challenges and abilities - who have sacrificed to attend classes and committed to preach and teach God's Word faithfully. Please pray with us for the work of Berea in Portugal, that God would use this new beginning to develop biblically sound servants of God in Portugal, and by extension in places like Cape Verde as well.

Visit from family

Tina's parents made a two week visit to see us (mostly the grandkids Ha!). In fact, as I am writing this letter in my office they are in the next room playing games with our kids. It is always a blessing to have family visit and to try to give them a small glimpse into our lives here.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support for our family! We are thankful for you and the investments that you have made in our family and the Lord's work in Cape Verde. Your prayers and encouragements are greatly appreciated!



He is Worthy!

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