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**Fwd: Fritz family update - August 2025**

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From: **Fritz family to Cabo Verde** <nathanfritz84@43235009.mailchimpapp.com>

Date: Wed, Aug 6, 2025 at 6:14 AM

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To: &lt;dmurphyfbc@gmail.com&gt;

**August 2025****Dear Praying friends,**

Grace and peace to you in our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray that you are well, and we want to sincerely express our thanks for your prayers for us. It is our great privilege to serve our Savior in Cabo Verde, we appreciate the sacrifices that so many have made to make our life here possible!

**“For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.”** - these well-known words of the apostle Paul to the saints in Philippi can be found on the tombstone of a missionary couple who were martyred in China in the 1930s. John and Betty Stam’s story was

**Personal notes:**

My health seems to be much better than it was a few months ago. All the tests in Portugal basically point to a “fatty liver” which was good news to us. With diet, exercise, and cholesterol medication we have it going in the right direction.

featured in our four week children's day camp. Starting on June 30, we had four weeks of Day camp with 40 children ages 6-12. Each day we had four hours of stories, songs, crafts, snacks, games and learning. On Sunday, July 27 we wrapped up the program with a short presentation in the morning service. The children sang a few newly-introduced songs - translations of "My God is a righteous God" and "For me to live is Christ." They also quoted Psalm 8 that they memorized during the month. We pray that these truths planted in the hearts of the young people were memorable, and that the connections made with their families will continue to bear fruit. As much as was possible, Tina and I wanted the church teenagers to lead in the various aspects of the program. With a little guidance, the teens stepped up in a big way using their talents to serve. For sure the program could not have happened without their help.

We thank you for your prayers for this project! I have included another page of pictures so you can see a little bit of the activities.

The coming months have a few projects in the works here with the national church. We would appreciate your prayers in each of these:

- **Vacation Bible school** - August 25-29. The theme this year is based on the sermon on the mount's "beatitudes". This is the third year of VBS. Last year we had about 200 kids every day.
- **Teen camp** - the dates are still not firmly established for this, but plans are simmering somewhere on a back burner to have a short teen camp before the school year starts again.
- **A medical mission team** from one of our supporting churches in Texas will be here to

The Fritz family homeschool has officially begun. We were able to get our books here about a month ago, thanks to some kind friends in the states. Our kids are all excited to begin the new year.

Pray for our kids as they grow and mature... it is crazy to think that in a few short years we will be sending people off to college, which is always a difficult time for missionaries and their children. Pray for their Physical, Spiritual and Emotional development, and for our wisdom in navigating all the challenges that come with the teen years.



Most of the kids from day camp were able to participate in the Sunday morning service. If you click on the

serve October 25 - November 1. Their team of doctors and nurses make several trips every year to various countries and we are honored to host them here! Pray as we get the necessary paperwork in order and translators/housing lined up for the group of 15+/- people.

- We have **a few shipments on the way** - some books for the bookstore and library that are coming from Portugal, as well as a few drums with Portuguese books, Bibles and personal items coming from the states. Pray that these things arrive intact and that we can get them out of customs with minimum headaches and cost.
- Also, Tina and I both are working to get our **residency visas** renewed this month. Pray that this process goes smoothly.

**God bless you and keep you!**

**The Fritz Family**

photo page link below you can see more pictures from our day camp.

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