



T.I.M.E - Training in Ministry by Extension

“The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”

(Matthew 9:37-38)

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The Lumberjack and the Ax

It is told that Peter was a great lumberjack.

One day, he went to a sawmill looking for a job. The taskmaster gave him one day so that he could show his abilities.

Peter surprised the taskmaster. He could knock down ten trees, when the usual was two a day. The best lumberjack knocked four down.

Everyone was talking about it, because he was the best lumberjack ever. He was a great success.

However, a few months later, his performance fell down and he became the worst of all lumberjacks. What was going on? The concerned taskmaster, trying to find out what was going on, called Peter and said:

- When you got here you knocked ten trees down, showing no fatigue and you kept the same pace for months. But lately, I've seen you depressed and exhausted, your production feel down and you have knocked down just one tree a day. What happened?

- I don't know, Peter answered. I'm working as never before: I've been making three times more effort, I'm the first to go to the woods and the last to come back!

The taskmaster ponder a little and asked him:

- Peter, how many times have you sharpened the ax since you've been here?

And he, a little confused, replied:

- None, I didn't have any time for that.

How many times have you sharpened your ax since you were called by Jesus? So we can achieve the results God expects from us we need to have our tool well sharpened. What have we done with the tool God has given to us?

Our ax is our faith and our sharpener is the Holy Spirit. If you don't keep yourself in touch with Him, your ax will decrease the production until it gets entirely blunt.

I hope this ending year that you, as a T.I.M.E student, have enjoyed your time to sharpen your tool.



Let us not forget the wise advice from the Scripture: “For everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven.” Ecclesiastes 3:1



Bearing Fruits

By God’s grace, we have another servant in the Lord’s harvest. The youth Patrick Ferreira Padilha, a T.I.M.E. student, accepted the call to be the pastor at Cascavel Seventh Day Baptist Church. He moved from Canoinhas/SC to Cascavel/PR last September, 1st.

The installation service took place on October, 16th. The event had the presence of sdb people from Porto União/SC, Dois Vizinhos/PR, Canoinhas/SC, Romelandia/PR, Céu Azul/PR, Foz do Iguaçu/PR, Medianeira/PR, and the bretheren from Cascavel. The ceremony was conducted by Pr. Leonildo, president SDB Brazilian Conference, and the praise was in charge of the worship group of Porto União SDB Church. During the worship servise, we also had a child dedication, the little Robert, son of Roseli and Argeu, was dedicated to God. The couple were the first people who accepted Jesus as their Lord and Salvation through Pastor Patrick’s ministry. After the service the attendants were invited to a barbecue, ending the activities.



New Testament Weekend Seminar

It took place in Bocaiúva do Sul city, on December 4th and 5th, the Seminar about the New Testament. The guest speaker was Pastor José de Godoi Filho, expert in New Testament and Expository Sermon at London Spurgeon College. He teaches Greek at Seminário Betânia, in Curitiba/PR.

It was a weekend of intense learning. The students had the opportunity of having their doubts



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Students Renatinho, Edonir, Claudir and Heloise, conducting praise at the special worship service, during the New Testament Seminar, at SDB Church in Bocaiúva do Sul/PR..



Pastor Luiz Rogério Palhano, T.I.M.E. student, delivering the message at the special service..

Pastor Jonas Sommer, and deacon Alberto, baptizing Antonio da Luz Junior, in Cerejeiras/RO.



answered about their previous studies. Pastor Godoi dedicated a great part of the Seminar to the book of Revelation, presenting to students the several methods of interpretation of these Johannine writings, which have generated many controversial opinions through history.



Next Seminar

The next meeting of first class's students will happen on February 05th and 06th, 2011, in Curitiba/PR, for the Seminar on the Sabbath Theology. The speaker will be Pastor David Taylor, from the United States and Canada General Conference.



Special Worship Service

On Sabbath evening, December 04th, we had a special worship service at Bocaiúva do Sul Seventh Day Baptist Church, which was under the responsibility of T.I.M.E. students.

Pastor Patrick, from Cascavel SDB Church, led the service and the preacher was Pastor Luiz Rogério Palhano, from Dois Vizinhos SDB Church.

The praise was directed by students Claudir, from Bocaiúva do Sul/PR, Edonir and Heloise, from Garuva/SC and Renatinho, from Curitiba/PR.

All students had the opportunity to participate. It was a really blessed service for all the attendants.



Visit to the Churches

Pr. Jonas visited the following churches:

SANTO ANTONIO DO SUDOESTE/PR. On October 16th we were in Santo Antonio do Sudoeste. In the morning we attended at Sabbath Bible School and in the afternoon we gave a lecture to the families.

It was also great to see the efforts of all the members in remodeling the temple.

CEREJEIRAS AND VILHENA/RO. From November 19th to 29th, we visited the churches in Rondônia. They were days of intense activity, we gave lectures to the families, to the young people

and to the brides and grooms. We had the privilege of baptizing Antonio José da Luz Junior on Sabbath day, 27th. In the same day we also celebrated the Lord Supper and we formalized the wedding of Tiago and Claudiane, in the city of Cerejeiras/RO.



Igreja Batista do Sétimo Dia de Cerejeiras/RO



Santa Ceia na IBSD de Cerejeiras/RO

It was a really busy Sabbath! On Sunday, 28th, we'd a worship service at brother Sebastião's ranch, in Vilhena/RO. Besides these activities, we took the visits to promote the T.I.M.E. Program. We're praying to God so we can have stu-

dents from the northern region of Brazil on the next class.

We're grateful to all the brethren who received us so wonderfully. May God allow us to spend other moments together.



Open Enrollments

We inform that the enrollments to start a new class are open, beginning next February. The interested should fill and send the enrollment form, as well as the recommendation letter from the local church, by January 10, 2011 to:

CBSDB - T.I.M.E

Rua Dom Pedro II, 522 - Cidade Nova

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Prayer Requests

1. For SDBs Churches in Vilhena and Cerejeiras/RO, which are without a pastor. May God keep them strong in their faith, and may the Lord of the Harvest prepare someone to work on that field.
2. Let's keep praying for Pastor Patrick, and his family, who took over SDB Church in Cascavel. May God use them powerfully in his hands so that there can be a revival in that city.
3. For the possibility of a new class next year. May our God be awakening the Will of learning more about him in his people's hearts.
4. For wisdom and God's direction for Pastor Jonas and his family.
5. Let's keep praying for the SDB Church in São Paulo, which is without a pastor for now, so that God arise a servant to lead that church.
6. For Pastor David Taylor and Margaret, from the USA, who will come in January to spend 20 days in Brazil visiting churches and speaking to T.I.M.E. students.
7. So that God keep speaking to the students' hearts, making known his purposes for their lives.



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