

Ken, Christine and Family's Mission in Rio Brilhante, Mato Grosso do Sul, Brazil

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We wish to thank our Blessed families, and brothers and sisters in the UK for your dedication to Heavenly Parents and True Parents and to thank you for your prayers and donations for our mission in Brazil.

For the first half of the year four missionary families from neighbouring towns came together to have Sunday Service and witness together one Sunday a month, rotating so that it was in a different town each month. We usually witnessed in pairs to visit people in their homes. The towns working together with us were Maracaju, Nova Alvorada do Sul and Douradina.

This year I continued one-to-one witnessing, principally with people who had already purchased the autobiography. I witnessed to professional people such as architects and lawyers, and I developed a way to teach the DP through the Bible. This meant that people could more easily accept it, and they studied as little as 10 minutes a week, sometimes just covering one main point from the DP. I constantly had about 20 people I was teaching each week, some through the Bible, and others with the conventional way of one-to-one with the DP.

In the final three months of the year the town council president was coming twice a week to study the Divine Principle and English. When I met him in his office, he didn't want to pay anything for English classes. He only wanted to study some phrases, so I told him I could teach him as a missionary for free, which meant studying the DP too. His main motivation for coming was to be able to speak English in Australia, when he visited his daughter there in December. However, just before he went to Australia he said that he liked studying the DP, so when he returns in 2018 he wants to continue studying the DP, and do a proper English course too.

I taught English for the sixth year at Athus, a private English school. Generally, I was only teaching adults and adolescents in the evening. For the first six months of the year, I had only one private student coming to our house. Fortunately, two more students came for the second half of the year. I was teaching the DP to two of those English students in their offices. They were both lawyers, and they had become English students through studying the DP. They came for English classes early in the morning before they started work, so I taught English in the morning and in the evening and I was free to witness during the day.

Christine taught German to a young lady who came twice a week, and she plans to continue this year.

I also began repainting the outside of the house about halfway through the year, with a goal to finish by the end of the year – I finished it on the 3rd January.



Hannah gave Pure Love lectures in Sirio Borges Municipal School in the morning and in the afternoon on Monday 24th April to about a hundred students altogether. There were also seven teachers attending the lectures altogether. All our children studied in that school.

Hannah began her nutrition graduate course at the Greater Dourados Federal University in May 2017. She loves the course and she is doing well. She came top in the first bimester and earned a scholarship for 2018, which will help to cover her daily expenses. She travels from home every day to the university.

Catarina, our youngest daughter, who was born in Rio Brilhante, went to full time CARP, based in our Headquarters building in São Paulo. She went there from the New Hope Farm in Jardim in February 2017, where we were participating in a seminar. She returned home for a few days at the end of the year, and she will return to CARP soon.

To: Blessed Families and brothers and sisters in Great Britain.

From: Ken, Christine and family, Rio Brilhante, Mato Grosso do Sul, Brazil.