

Declaring His Glory in Portugal

SINCE 2015



**PRAY FOR A NEW
BUILDING! THE RIGHT
PLACE AT THE RIGHT
PRICE!**



**GOSPEL
OPPORTUNITIES**



**WISDOM IN
DECISIONS**

GIBSON GANG



We launched our first meeting of youth group in March!

What an exciting time, we had quite a good group show up for it. It is also exciting to see others in the church show enthusiasm for this ministry in that they are offering to help or be involved in some way. We had the privilege of going to Spain for a week for the Western European Leaders conference for ABWE. What a truly encouraging time as well as a time to learn and to plan next steps for our team. God is laying the ground work for big things here in Portugal and we pray that He allows us the privilege to be a part of it. For our Easter service this year we wanted it to be a combined service of both churches (English

**WE have kids from
5 different
nationalities that
come to youth
group!**

and Portuguese) so we rented a space at the Lisbon Training Center which is a part of ABWEs ministries here and we were able to fit everyone in, and we had two baptized during that service. What a blessing to see everyone together, even though the service took longer bc everything had to be translated you could feel the sense of communion we all share joined together by the commonalty of the gospel.

We had the blessing to take part in a conference called FIEL, which is an editor here in Portugal, that brings translations of various Christian books and Bibles here to European Portuguese. It is a blessing to have their ministry here so we don't have to translate bible studies and other resources. They brought in several special speakers, one which was from a church in D.C. called Capitol Hill and it was an encouragement and a challenge to hear his messages on creating a community in your church of people that bring glory to God through their relationships with each other because they are joined by the Gospel. Sometimes we opt to just be friends with people based on our similarities but we bring more glory to God by sharing a friendship with someone we have nothing in common with other than we were both forgiven of our sins and serve the Creator of the Universe.

We had a man in our church that got hit in a pedestrian walk by a motorcycle and he fell, hit his head on the curb and broke his knee cap. He has had a long road to recovery, but is getting better. He is a believer, but his wife is not, however they come to church faithfully with their 7 year old son. Pray that God will use this to bring her to Faith. We have been praying for that and use any opportunity with her to share the Gospel. God has also opened up several opportunities to get to know some new neighbors we have in the building and we are excited for that friendship and open door to share our lives and Christ with them.

Right now there is a shortage of Adams prescription for his MS in the country, so that means he needs to go on a monthly basis to get a refill. What that really entails is an entire day carved out to wait in a room with no windows or air circulation and packed full of people to get your number called to get your Rx. Please pray that the shortage will resolve so that he can get his meds sent to our house and skip the hours of waiting. Thank you for your faithful prayer and support! We love you all. Please send us your requests as we pray for you all regularly.

Our life in snapshots



(Top to bottom)

Our first of many youth group meetings!

St. Patricks day in Portugal celebrating with Spaniards playing Irish music

Portuguese Editor Conference