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The call in action

Dear Friends,

We hope you are well and are enjoying the start of the spring in the UK.

Transformational Community Development

Since coming back from our trip to the UK in February, we have been spending more time in Aguazinha. The ReVive Community Development Team consists of Rosie and Stu (who are also with CMS), Daniel and Sarah and João Bento, who oversees us. ReVive is working in partnership with Living Waters church to offer a wellness centre with a jiu-jitsu club, a community food market for 20 of the poorest families who live in the community and the healing dance ministry, Dança Água Viva. We have been going to Aguazinha together every week to pray, do some house visits and just hang out with the locals!

We have also presented our vision to the ReVive trustees of the church building and we were pleased that they gave us the green light to go ahead, and agreed to provide the resources needed to do some essential repairs to the roof and bathroom. While we are waiting for the repairs to be completed, Sarah has had various opportunities to share with women who live in the community about Dança Água Viva and she was also invited to dance at the women's service, which was a real blessing and many women are showing interest in coming along. Please pray for God's wisdom, timing and blessing on the team as we take the vision forward.

Daniel has started a football ministry twice a week with Joel and Gustavo from Rio Social (River church) and Leo from Living Waters church. They are working with adolescent boys in the community and Daniel is leading devotionals with the older boys. Rio Social are also running a club to teach women to read and write and a sewing club, which are being well attended and the women are growing in their self-esteem and confidence. ReVive, Living Waters Church and Rio Social are working well alongside each other, and although ReVive has a strong partnership with Living Waters church, we would love to see a stronger partnership and friendship between us all as we work together for God's Kingdom to increase and prosper in the community.

Clube de Consciencia – saving lives, inspiring people

We have really enjoyed supporting Sophie in this new ministry at ReVive, introducing recycling and educating the girls in looking



Name: Daniel and Sarah Brito Medeiros

Location: Olinda/Recife, Brazil

Our call: To reach out to children at risk, their families and communities through the love of God, ministering in his power to bring healing and transformation.

Our role: Working with ReVive in Olinda, a safe house for girls at risk, Sarah is a dance therapist and Daniel is helping raise ReVive's profile among churches and charities.



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*Recycling at ReVive!
Signs made by the girls*

after God's planet. Sophie did an inspiring slideshow presentation for the girls and staff at ReVive on why recycling and litter picking is important for the environment, and now recycling is a way of life at ReVive. We have partnered with a small cooperative who collect the recycling and, through their work, help 50 of the poorest families in Olinda.

We have started doing beach cleanups once a month. We arrive at ReVive early to join the girls for a healthy breakfast with fruit donated by the local greengrocer. We then have a time of prayer before heading off in the combi. We arrive at the beach with our UV team tops, our buckets and gloves and break off into small groups of two girls and one adult. One team stays at the base under a big tree and sorts the rubbish while everyone else goes to collect anything on the beach that is not from nature. After a couple of hours, we have a break and a coconut water and then refresh ourselves in the sea before heading back to the ReVive house. It's a great time out together doing something that we all know is worthwhile. We have seen how it has impacted people on the beach, who encourage us and congratulate the girls on what they are doing.

Journey UK

Daniel has been on a deep discipleship and healing journey with Journey UK for about 10 years and he has now been invited to work on the UK team as an assistant counsellor on the current online course. He is also translating the first course into Portuguese, with the hope that he can use this material to help people who are struggling in their relationships with God, themselves and others, here in Brazil. Sarah also recently completed this course online. Please join with us in praying about how God wants to use this material in Brazil in the future.

Prayer and worship

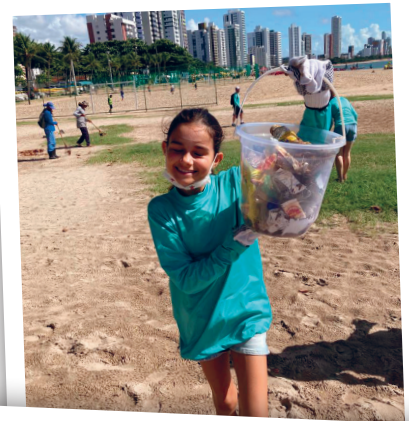
Sarah and Daniel lead the weekly prayer meeting at ReVive which is fundamental to all we do at ReVive. Daniel leads us in a time of sung worship, then the coordinator at ReVive updates us on the children's needs and we pray for them individually. Over the years, we have seen so many answered prayers, and children being transformed by God's love and grace.

Sarah and Daniel represent ReVive at the Shine Network. The network unites about 12 Christian ministries to get together to encourage one another, worship and pray. We are often asked to lead worship and this month we met to celebrate four years of the network. Please pray to see God's Kingdom expand across the region of Greater Recife. Daniel has also initiated a time of intercession at River church before the services and we would love to see dance and prayer ministry grow at the church. The battle belongs to the Lord and if we want to see real transformation, a lot of the work needs to be done on our knees so to speak, through prayer and worship!

Thank you for all your loving support and prayer.

God bless you!

Daniel, Sarah, Sophie and Ana



Photos from top to bottom: Sophie leading the way, clearing rubbish on the beach; a well-earned rest and coconut water to drink; ReVive prayer meeting; Sarah dancing in worship at a recent Shine Network meeting

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