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What we do: Working with ReVive, a safe house for girls at risk, Sarah as a dance therapist and Daniel as an advocate for at-risk children.

Dear friends.

We hope you are well. As we look towards the end of 2023, we want to thank you so much for supporting us - your prayers and gifts are incredibly important in helping us to serve here.

Unfortunately, we need to share that, due to increased living costs both for us and our supporters, there is a significant shortfall in our funding, which puts our work at risk. For example, Sophie and Ana's school fees have gone up 50 per cent in the last few years, our food bill has more than doubled and petrol has also gone up! And so, we come to you for further help. If you are not currently giving, would you be able to start a regular gift? And if you are giving, would you consider and pray about whether you could increase your gift? If you can help us close our funding gap, please go to churchmissionsociety.org/britomedeiros, or complete the enclosed form if you have received this letter through the post. (For our supporting churches, if you are able to give a further gift, please contact churchrelations@churchmissionsociety.org.) We understand this might not be possible - please know that we greatly value your support and thank you for letting us share our challenge with you.



A girl from ReVive worshipping with the microphone

This year has flown by, and it is good to reflect on the spiritual growth we have seen in our own lives and with the people we work with this year. At ReVive, the girls really enjoy their devotional times. It's an extended time to intentionally seek God together and enjoy his presence. About a year ago, Daniel introduced the girls to singing with the microphone and they take turns leading us in a song of worship of their choosing. They used to be embarrassed and would sing with their back to everyone but now they sing with such confidence, and they ask to sing at events, birthday parties and wherever they can! Sarah continues to lead the devotionals once or twice a week while Daniel is now concentrating more on the work in the community. Please continue to pray for the girls at ReVive as they long to know what their future holds; whether they will stay at ReVive, be adopted or go back to their families. It is especially hard for them at Christmas. The team at ReVive do everything to make Christmas special but the girls just want to belong to a family that loves them.

At Dança Água Viva, the women are loving being part of the group and are learning to trust each other more with their difficulties at home. They share on a deep level and the group counsel and pray for each other. They have grown so much this year in their levels of freedom in movement. We have such fun together as we dance in God's presence and many of the ladies testify to God's emotional and spiritual healing. They

With Jesus With each other To the edges

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are also growing in intimacy with the Lord. This week one of the ladies shared how she had an encounter with Jesus while we ministered to her with the flags. In her vision she was a child and Jesus came and took her by the hand and they watched the sunset together. It was a moment of sweet intimacy with her father God who is the Creator of all things. We were all created for intimacy with God and it's wonderful to see this develop in the lives of these ladies who come to the group.

We were invited to serve on an inner healing weekend away that Rio Social was running with women who live in Aguazinha. Some of the women from Dança Água Viva and the community market went, and it was a time of healing and renewal. It's so

great to see how God is transforming them little by little as he takes them from glory to glory. At the community market, Daniel loves to interact with the people, and he takes his guitar and plays some worship music and sometimes shares a word. A few of the people who go to the market have now started going to the local church and one lady was recently baptised.

In our spare time, Daniel has been used by God to unite many pastors across the city. Every Monday night about 15–30 pastors meet from Olinda area to seek God's face together and to pray for each other and the city. Deep friendships have been developed among these pastors as they confess sins, pray for one another and love each other.

Pastors have been healed and set free of hidden sin and churches are being revived. There is a growing excitement among the pastors that God is going to pour out his Spirit in greater measure over Recife. We visited a football stadium recently where we were dreaming together of one day when the stadium will be filled with people worshipping God together.

So may we take this opportunity to wish you a very blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year and that you may also reflect on the growth you have seen in your own lives this year.

God bless you!

Love Sarah, Daniel, Sophie, and Ana





Photos from top to bottom: The ladies at Dança Água Viva ministering with the flags; Daniel sharing a word at the community market; pastors from Olinda building friendships and praying together; at the Pernambuco arena, dreaming of revival!



Can you help?

Right now Sarah and Daniel are facing a shortfall in funding, which puts their work at risk. Will you support them today? Go to **churchmissionsociety.org/britomedeiros,** call 01865 787489 or complete the enclosed form. **Thank you!**



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