

# Recife NewsBeat

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Greetings one and all!

How are you all doing?

Well life here in Recife continues to be crazy and the time really just is flying by, even faster than usual, it would seem!!

I always am apologizing for the slackness of my updates! So yet again I will apologize! It's not that I don't want to tell you all that is happening, it's just that I honestly think about writing an update n then something else happens, which throws the idea out of my head n then when I remember again ...more months have zoomed by!

I will start by thanking you all for your continued support and interest in my life out here. Your support, be it emotional, financial,

or spiritual (prayer) is invaluable and I know I cannot do what I do, without you guys! Thank you is such a small word, but it comes from a very grateful and full heart!

Well let's crack on! ...this year we've had quite a few different events and people involved at Vale. Our summer EBF (holiday Bible club) that we always do at the start of July, was all about Moses. This year we had a different group of Korean Brasilians come and help run it. They did fantastically, the daily story - telling drama was excellent! I was as usual responsible for the organization, photos,



making props for the drama and planning the daily games ...all for 155 kids from 5-10 yrs old! Was a riot, but great fun n the kids all learnt about another Bible character n his struggles!

After EBF we as a team had 10 days to flop and recover, before we were back getting ready for an Irish team that were coming out for 2 weeks to work at Vale. They were from a Presbyterian church just outside of Belfast, that Paul (another Vale volunteer) had got to know. There were 16 of them, ranging from Peter at 8 yrs old, to Susie at 50! They all came with big hearts to serve and the first week they built a concrete volleyball court (as if you maybe remember back, we had one, but when the water company took our land, our volleyball court went with it) It has already been utilized alot, for games and other



things! It's a great new utility space! They also built 13 large concrete steps from Vale down to the football pitch, as it was just a steep muddy bank beforehand, that especially in the rain, was treacherous! Robério was asked to help on this part of the project, so he was the foreman! They all worked really hard! The weather held, so it didn't

rain too much, nor was it too hot for the team! Which was a blessing!

The second week they did a mini EBF for the kids, 2 events for the teenagers and an event for the Mum's, so it was quite full on! During this 2 weeks, as well as taking photos, I along with Paul and Suz was a translator!! It was a fab time, but mentally exhausting!! A couple of times I found myself swap language for the wrong person! Speaking Portuguese for the Irish and English for the Brasilians!! It was all taken in good humour and with some serious leg pulling at some points!



After that eventful time, Vale got back to normal, with the kids learning about the Creation of the world, Noah and the Ark and other Bible characters. Learning songs for their day of the child presentation and for the Christmas special!

Swimming has continued well this year and within the last 2 months, I have around 5 new little fishes and several who are nearly there, Others have got over their fear of getting in the water of the big pool (even tho the max depth of the water is only about 1,40m/4ft n abit) and others have learnt to dive and swim under water. It's been as always, a privilege and very gratifying!!

Day of the child was celebrated with a week of special activities, crazy hair days, presents of new toys and lots of fun and laughter!

This was also celebrated at church with a party for kids of the local community. They had planned for around 50 kids, 89 turned up! They learnt about Jesus being the true joy! Miraculously the sweet treat bags given out at the end reached for everyone, so there was joy manifested there and then!!

We have our next collective party/ball for the current batch of 15 yr old girls at the end of November. So I have already done a pre party photo shoot. We took the 10 girls to a very nice café to take photos. They all dressed up and most were quite uncomfortable, so took quite a while for them to relax! The café was great, cz they opened up and hour n a half before they should've opened, so we could take photos of all the girls in their various locations, without other people getting in the way! After these photos we returned to Vale, where they changed into something more comfortable, and we took more natural photos ending with them throwing colored powder all over each other!! It became a war zone!! The new volleyball court space was well used this particular afternoon!

Now we are focussing on decorations! The theme is "Spring", so we are gonna make 100's of paper flowers to decorate the space! I have designed the mould to make all the petals, now just gotta crack on with making them! I will be on photo duty for the event and the make off beforehand!

We currently have something new going on at Vale which is running for 10 weeks! We have challenged the kids to bring in as many different types of screw top plastic coloured tops, of any size, cz we are gonna design a mural on the wall by the swimming pool (made from plastic tops!) It is a competition between the older crew and the younger crew. The winning group will have a special day at Vale! We have to count them all every week! They have really caught the idea n are running with it! It's great to see, cz we thought they wouldn't! Some come in every week with sackfuls!!

Promise I'll be in touch sooner, next time!  
Ali (and Robério)

Prayer points:

Thanks:

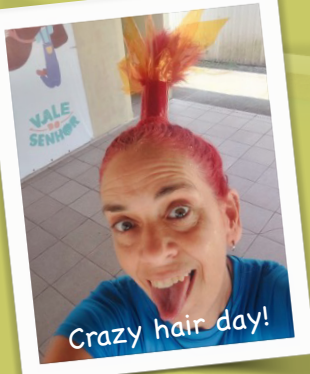
- God's provision
- For the kids at Vale!

Requests:

- For renewed finances.
- For finances for Vale.
- For the party in November
- For guidance!



Teaching diving!



Crazy hair day!



Photo shoot!



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