

Shipping Company Opens Doors

UNITED EFFORT RESULTS IN TUNNEL OPENING SOUTHWARD FOR MANY!

From Ebed & Estrela; Now in S.A.:

ONE OF THE FRUITFUL RESULTS OF THE PORTUGUESE NAF was a decision to send English Joseph to Northern Europe to talk to travel company officials (mainly ship company owners) & see if they would let Family members travel on their ships going to Brasil via Portugal or Spain.

AFTER HAVING UNITED PRAYER WITH LAYING-ON OF HANDS & messages from the Lord thru prophecy, Joseph left for Hamburg, Germany by train. It took him two days to get to Hamburg, but after only 5 short hours from the time he arrived he had spoken to the president & several captains of a shipping company who had 3 months previously closed their doors to any passengers travelling on their cargo ships to Brasil from Portugal. They had previously closed the doors due to some trouble they had experienced with some non-Family members aboard. After speaking to Joseph, they gave him their cards & special permission to book family members on all their boats to Brasil. They encouraged him to see other companies too which had ships passing thru Portuguese ports.

WITHIN 4 DAYS OF HIS DEPARTURE, Joseph was back in Portugal with these thrilling, miraculous accounts of what the Lord had done to open up the tunnel southward. PTL! TJ! His goal is to get passages secured for 40 families within the Family on various shipping lines. These would be enough openings to effectually evacuate the rest of the Family in Portugal.

THE FARE ON THE HAMBURG-BASED LINE, per adult, will be about \$1000. This is good when you consider



VS Estrela with English Joseph, God's "travel agent" for the Family in Portugal.

sider that a normal, one-way flight on a commercial airline from Portugal to Brasil costs about \$800. (Some of the boat passages will even be free for those who are able to work aboard the vessels.) The ships will be at sea for 10 days, with 3 meals a day served on board. PTL for a beautiful, relaxing, temple-time, boat-travelling pace--a nice interlude between two worlds.

IF ALL GOES ACCORDING TO SCHEDULE, & people catch all the available ships, everyone could be in South America by the end of this year! PTL! It's a fantastic answer to prayer for a desperate need. PTL!--And thanks to Dad again for the Fellowship Revolution, the uniting vision which has made such a united, faith-building move possible!

BY BOAT TO BRASIL!

From Ebed & Estrela; Brasil

GBY! MJI! and send special greetings IJPN from sunny South America! The Lord, Dad & Maria & you have been so good to us as to make it possible for us to come to this new, inspiring & challenging field here in Brasil! We've been fellowshipping & getting acquainted with the Family here over the last 5 days & it's been super-inspiring! There are so many precious & faithful disciples here who are really on-fire & love the Lord & have been going on for Him & Dad & Maria despite many trials!

We had a very inspiring, calm, peaceful, sunny, leisurely voyage by boat from Lisboa to Recife, a port in Northeastern Brasil. It took 11 days to get there as we were travelling on an old cargo ship but it was nevertheless very nice! We never got seasick or had any problems with the crew or ship conditions, etc. We had a cabin of our own - a very small one which was normally used by the pilot or captain from time to time as it was situated right up on the bridge. We'd open our door & there would be the pilots going over their maps & taking their calculations by observing the stars to locate their exact position. And at night it was just beautiful to watch the sea, moon & stars and the ship as she slowly steamed her way through the Southern Atlantic! PTL!

While aboard, we were able to witness to the whole crew via video (Which M & M had sent for the field work here) We decided to do a little filming while aboard & did an hour's worth of what it's like living on a cargo ship on your way to South America! We interviewed the captain, First Mate, pilots, cook, cook's help & some of the other crew & they really enjoyed being filmed & talking about the ship & its functions & their duties, etc. Also, the first pilot & the late-night helmsman got saved & gave their testimonies on the video which, when we later played the video for the whole crew (by popular demand), they all received a strong witness of salvation from some of their own friends & countrymen. The captain turned out to be a real friend by the end of our journey. He had a lot of questions at first but really changed by the end of the trip & almost received the Lord with us in the dining room one night! He said he'd pray later when he got to his room!

We arrived in Recife early one Monday morning & the immigration officials came on board. It was easy to get stamped in. However getting through customs with all our baggage was a little different! We had 21 volumes of baggage &, according to Brazilian law, we had to say what we had in each one, at least generally. As they opened everything we had & did a thorough search (although the Lord did make "seeing eyes blind" when it came to our MO Books, mags & a few files), we were honest about what we had & everything got cleared! (Except for the video equipment, which we expect we'll be able to pick up soon, D.V.!) Hallelujah!

One last thing that a local brother mentioned that we thought could be of help to the Family coming here or arriving at other points in L.A. is that several people have sent items to the VS P.O. Box, such as pressure cookers & other household goods which they plan on picking up later. Many of these folk forgot or didn't think to ask first if they could do this. What happens on this end is that the P.O. charges duty on these goods as if the person who has the box is importing the goods, & we have to pay for it, hoping to get it back later. Of course it makes things look suspicious here in a country where it's real good not to look that way. If these folk would just send their goods in their own names to Poste Restante, they'd have 30 days to pick up the goods & nobody's box or witness would be endangered--& they could pay for it themselves!

Uruguay's Unreached Multitudes

MORE BRAVE PIONEERS NEEDED IN URUGUAY AS BROTHERS DISCOVER GOD HERE! See to WORK NOW!

From Timothy & Rebecca Mind; Uruguay:

WE RECENTLY ATTENDED THE CAE IN BUENOS AIRES which was incredibly inspiring. The testimonies we heard about the brethren in Argentina really going on the attack encouraged us quite a bit, & when Santiago & Maria Carmen visited us in Montevideo to show us the video, we got even more inspired. Beautiful! We never thought that videos could be so encouraging.

MARIA CARMEN & SANTIAGO WERE A REAL SAMPLE OF LOVE & ENCOURAGED US TO GO LITNESSING, as they themselves are doing it in Argentina, living by faith thru litnessing & provisioning. At first it sounded like a dream to us, as we have been teaching English and German since over a year ago & only witnessed personally to friends on a small scale. So we started out by faith & climbed over the old barrier of fearing "what might happen" which the Devil had established around us to keep us from doing it.

SO WE WENT DOOR TO DOOR & IT WENT FANTASTIC. The people are so sheepy & thankful to receive the MO Letters & in return give a donation of appreciation. GB'em. We are so happy to now be in Uruguay, as this country is hardly even touched yet with the Words of David, & there are almost 4 million people waiting to be reached with the message.

SO, WE CONTINUED DAILY LITNESSING DOOR TO DOOR, & the Lord blessed it always so much that we have now quit most of our teaching jobs to devote most of our time again to litnessing! **WE ALSO TRIED PROVISION-**

ING, & the Lord blessed it as well with lots of fruit, vegetables, cheese, meat etc. It looks like this could really be Uruguay's hour, & this country is in great need of labourers to bring in the harvest of souls & to burn free with litnessing & provisioning & reaching the multitudes via radio & TV.

WE ARE WORKING ON GETTING THE CHILDREN OF OUR HOMES TOGETHER TO DO A SHOW IN SCHOOLS so that we can get the kids saved, & we pray that we can also get the show on TV, as the stations are very open for new things like this.

NOW SUMMER WILL BE HERE SOON & the beaches will be crowded with people, ideal places to perform sketches & Holy Ghost samples to win disciples. There are so many potential sheep here, & we cannot reach them fast enough. What a blessing it would be to have more on-fire pioneers come here to fill the vacuum & help get the job done.

WE ARE STILL SECURITY-MINDED, but it doesn't stop us any more from burning free litnessing & witnessing & coming out in the open to let the light shine bright to the dear sheep in Uruguay so that they can see us shine & know the truth!

OUR LIVES HAVE CHANGED SO MUCH SINCE WE STARTED LITNESSING & PROVISIONING AGAIN. We are so happy to be here. Today when I went litnessing with my daughter Anne I had such a strong experience with the people I talked to going door to door. There was such a great deep spiritual hunger, such thankful, sheepy people, hungry for the way, truth & life & the Words of David.

QUICKLY WHILE THERE IS DAY, as there isn't much time left. GBY! We love you all so much & invite you to come to Uruguay & help bring in the harvest!

ALSO, WE READ IN MAG '82 THAT INFORMATION IS REQUESTED ABOUT CERTAIN LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES concerning visas, living conditions etc. We are not in a position such as LAS or DAS, but we still want to write this additional information from our own experiences for the benefit of others. (I'm the newly elected LAS after being here only 2 months I can agree wholeheartedly with Tim's comments on the various matters outlined.--Bozrah Reborn, LAS)

1. WITNESSING CONDITIONS: This country used to be a "closed country", but now we are going on the attack in all areas. Litnessing, especially DTD, is great. Street litnessing can be done as well, but carefully. Donations are good, & with a little hard work & determination it is possible to support yourselves. Many souls are waiting to be saved, & people are open to God's message. You definitely need to apply the Letter "Know Your Meat or Get Butchered" & use wisdom. We recommend not using political lit or free sex Komix, as this is legally banned here.

2. GOVERNMENTAL CONDITIONS: Uruguay has a military government with fairly strong American influence. It seems that you can live comfortably & peacefully as long as you don't threaten the government with anti-military propaganda, & you will find you can operate pretty freely if you watch your step & are harmless as a

3. VISA CONDITIONS: As a tourist you get a 3-month tourist card which can be renewed without problems for another 3 months. Then you need to leave the country & enter again & repeat the whole procedure. We don't know how often you can repeat this, but we applied for permanent residency which we received without major problems 8 months later (we had proof of some income). Germans & Americans don't need any entrance visas. PG!

4. LIVING CONDITIONS: Uruguay has a fairly normal standard of living. There are very rich people who are living very well, & there are also a lot of poor people. But in general you can live comfortably. Apartments & houses are rented for about \$300 to \$900; you can rent furnished or unfurnished. Buses are relatively cheap, & long distances are usually travelled by bus or plane. Montevideo is right on the beach, & you will be able to enjoy this during summer. There are plenty of banks, & you can exchange any of the usual currencies, like dollars, DM, SF etc. without problems. For travellers' cheques we had the best experience with American Express & Thomas Cook; they are easy to cash.

ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT IS EXPENSIVE BECAUSE IT IS IMPORTED. Food is cheap, and it is also easy to provision. But prices in general are not too low, so it would be of benefit to be fairly well equipped when coming. Teaching jobs are fairly easy to get & are usually well paying, about \$8-\$10 per hour. Inflation is high & prices go up about 10% every 3 or 4 months.

5. CUSTOMS CONTROL: Usually when you enter Uruguay your luggage gets checked, mainly



They can't resist the children: Anne(7) Heide(3) & Eva (1 1/2) litnessing on the sidewalk in Uruguay.

for electronic items which need to be declared. We personally had no problems, & another brother even brought a video recorder here from the U.S. without any problems or charges. Every package of mail over 1 kilo will get opened & checked for value. Customs is not very interested in MO Books etc., as they don't look valuable to them. We had all our MO Books & Family material thru the mail for security & received it without any problems.

6. CLIMATE: Summer is between December & February & is nice & hot (not too hot). It is also very humid here. The weather is usually good & the sky is blue. Winter is cold but without snow. It gets cold around May. Warm winter clothes are needed. You need to be prepared for drastic changes in temperature.

7. FAMILY MEMBERS: Montevideo at this time is understaffed & could absorb quite a bit more brave pioneers. There are a few more large cities to pioneer within Uruguay also. It is a small country with close to a million people, so have this in mind, but there is a big job to do here. GBY!



Anne boldly hands a piece of lit to two teenagers. (Photos by Dadd Timothyus) (ANNE! -GBY! Maria's a dear! -Dadd Timothyus)