

# Recife Brazil Report

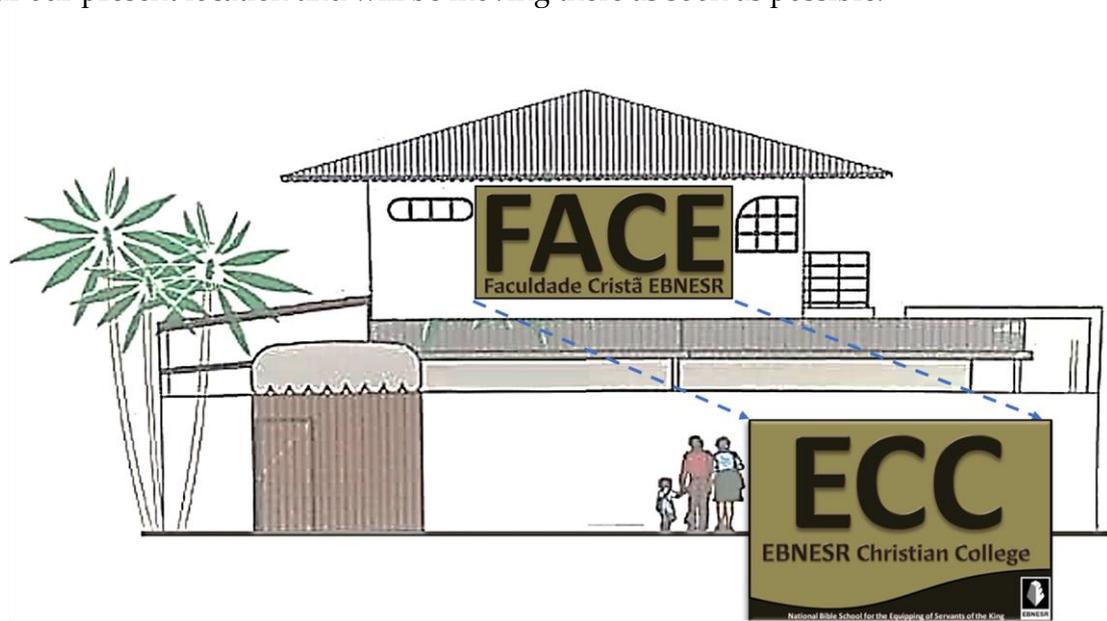
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Let me give you some quick updates on the progress of our work during this continuing pandemic. God continues to bless our efforts and we give him all the praise and glory.

Brazil may be the worst place in the world right now as far as Covid-19 cases. Our church family in Brazil has experienced many deaths and much suffering. I know that many have suffered losses in the states as well. Please add your Brazilian brothers and sisters to your prayer list if you have not already. Recife is still locked down and so Kathy and I have decided to delay our return until things get better in Brazil. We hope the vaccines will begin taking effect and we can return in a month or two. We will keep you informed. If you would like to talk to us about this, we can be reached by phone at (678) 296-5154.

As many of you know, we have for years tried to get our EBNESR building project off the ground. Unfortunately, what we wanted to build was financially impossible for us and so we have opted for a different path. We purchased a building near our present location and will be moving there as soon as possible.



We are also proceeding with Christian college accreditation. Since we now own our building, that will facilitate reaching this goal.

We have several programs in our EBNESR Ministry Training. We have resident students, students who study on Saturdays, and those who study in our night program. There are also the intensive studies that occur one week per month. We currently have 68 students studying in these programs. We also have an additional 27 students studying online with our distant learning program. That brings our grand total for our ministry training program to 95 students.

We have 27 classes studying seven different disciplines by extension with 1,120 students, all on-line. Most are in Brazil, but we also have students in Cape Verde, Angola, and Mozambique. This is an evangelistic outreach program to the greater community, and so most are not participants in a church of Christ. Though we have not had the number of conversions as we have had in the past through in-person learning, the number of people hearing the gospel is greater than ever before. We cannot help but believe that eventually a great harvest will come from planting the seed of God's Word.

Besides these, we have been able to invest in some 65 different evangelistic and church planting projects. This is due to generous donations from dedicated Christians like you. These also are producing fruit.

Thank you so much for your support, prayers, and interest in our work.

Blessings,  
Randy and Kathy Short