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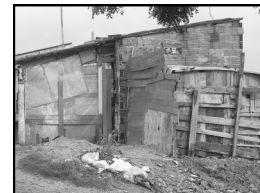


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We provide quality education and training for children living in poverty in the slums of Brazil.

Our vision is to form the next generation of Christian leaders, ready to transform their communities and nation.

We are an organization with 25 years of experience and success helping children at risk.



Student Registration

Message from Marc Marques, Director

It's the time of year (finally!) when the public schools close their books on the academic year that was 2012, and allow students to move into their new classes. In April we had a two week period of registration and were amazed to find mothers, fathers and grandparents standing in line at 4.30am in order to secure places for their children at the project. For the first time this year, we even had the Director of a local public school calling us to find out if she could reserve a large number of places for pupils from her school.

Despite the violence which constantly threatens the value of education, these events show us the tremendous desire that there is for the opportunities CBC offers. Underpaid and under resourced public school teachers are again on strike, looking to improve their working conditions and it's no wonder that school Directors are desperately seeking solutions.

We continue to do our best and offer as many places as possible. It's our prayer that the local government can improve the public schools, resolve the many conflicts that exist within the current system and better serve the children who live in the desperately needy slums of Brazil.

Welcoming our First graduate Teacher

Hello! My name is Micael and I'm 19 years old. This is not the first time I have worked but it is the first time I've been officially employed. This makes a big difference for us here in Brazil because it means that I have



Micael, in 2008

officially begun my employment record.

It is a great privilege to be working here at CBC. Everyday I say to myself, "Today I'm going to learn something new, principally something new about God."



Micael leading worship as a CBC student in 2010.

Having studied here and received so much help, I am excited about the opportunity to give something back to CBC. This is where I learned to play the guitar and first began to discover my love for music. Through this new job, I am able to fulfill a dream which is to be able to teach music. I will be teaching instruments lessons as well as music theory to classes of 20-25 students. This will be a new class for the children at CBC and we hope that musical awareness will help stimulate learning in other subjects.

In addition to music I will also be taking on the role of PE teacher. I hope to teach volleyball, handball and soccer. The children here have a great love for sports, especially since they saw the Olympics last year. They are very excited about the upcoming World Cup which will be here in Fortaleza next June and the Olympics in Rio in 2016.

Finally I would like to say that I am also looking forward to being a part of the team of staff at CBC. Just like it was in JVC, (CBC's mission team), we accomplish more when we work together.



Micael starts his new job at CBC

My prayer request is that I will be an effective teacher and mentor to the children, offering them education and most importantly, Christ, as their Savior and Friend.

EQUIPMENT APPEAL

We need approximately \$3,700 to buy equipment for music and sports. This will support Micael in his new role. We also need items for regular classroom supplies.

SOME OF THE EQUIPMENT NEEDED ...

Volleyball Net & Balls, Soccer Balls, Tennis Balls, Handballs
Nylon Guitar Strings, New or used Sound Equipment.
Color pencils, glue, scissors, paper, white board markers, and educational posters.

Bridge Building—Mission Team Needed

We shared with you a while back about our dilapidated bridge which has for so long been a feature of the CBC landscape.

We are in need of a team to travel to Brazil this July in order to help us re-build the bridge and re-landscape the pond area. This work needs to be done while the children are on vacation in July and will take approximately one week to complete.

The work will involve setting new foundations, cleaning out the pond and fitting and painting the new wooden bridge.

**Please contact the office if you are interested.
A team of 8-10 strong individuals would be ideal.**

Thursday Fast

Following our appeal in April's newsletter for a day of prayer and fasting on April 25th, we have decided to continue fasting on a weekly basis.

As a group, our staff has made a commitment to doing this in order to intercede for peace in our community. Thank you for participation, please continue to share with us as you continue to pray.

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