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Sharing God's Word with others in Brazil & North America



Newsletter

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God's blessings to you as we forge ahead in this New Year! Like many of you, our staff members are looking forward to new challenges & experiences as we near the end of February & get firmly settled into 2006. Our prayer is that, more than anything, we can praise God for His goodness, mercy & love & then turn around & pour it out to others.

## Upcoming Events:

Please pray as some of our staff members are preparing for an upcoming Christian youth camp in Texas & need to raise the funds to be able to participate. At the same time we are planning a trip to Brazil in the next few months & need your support & prayers to make that happen. The main focus of the upcoming trip to Brazil is to establish our missionary center in Rio de Janeiro. We are looking forward to seeing how we can be more effective in not only praying for, but also in giving, & going to the needy field of Brazil.

## F.L.I.P. – A New Learning Program:

We are excited to announce a brand new youth activity—the FLIP (Fun, Learning, Inspiration & Play) program! This resource will hopefully become a valuable asset to the youth of the area as we see the need for older children & preteens to have an opportunity to get together in a learning environment. The Lord inspired us to create the FLIP program which we are kicking off this month. Once a month children from 9 years to 13 years old can join in for a day of learning a special skill from our trained volunteers.



*Our first FLIP event at the Camelot Mini Golf & Pizza Hut*

The first FLIP event was a fun-filled day at the Camelot mini-golf course (courtesy of Camelot Golfland) and then the children had a complimentary pizza dinner from Pizza Hut in Westminster.

### Hot Topic:



This month we have a hot topic that we want to hear your opinion on: Are short-term mission trips a good or bad idea? What do we need to keep in mind if we are going to plan & participate in STMs? If you have been following the news of Riovision's last trips to Brazil and Mexico and have any suggestions or ideas that could help make our trips more productive, we would love to hear from you, either by email ([info@rioivision.org](mailto:info@rioivision.org)) or by regular mail.

### Clothes to Mexico:

There are still two-and-a-half billion people who have never even heard the Gospel or the name of Jesus, so there is still a lot that needs to be done. Though sometimes it seems we are only making a small difference in the world with so few people, it's the small things that count in the Lord's eyes. Helping the Missionary center in Tijuana with donated clothes this month may have been a small thing, but we know that as we give in love and from that which costs us most (our time), we are giving to the Lord.



*Chri, Esther & Marie sorting donated clothes to distribute*

### Missionary Base:

This month we were able to help the following missionaries who passed through our base:

- Martin
- Nehemiah
- Paul & Carmen

*(God bless you dear missionaries! Our prayers are with you!)*

### Changes:

2006 started with a bang as the Lord led us into some new changes to help us to a better job for Him. With one of our

long-term Riovision members (Chris) moving to another field to continue fulltime missionary service, the Lord was faithful to bring us a new addition to compliment our team, dear Stephanie (who is expecting a bundle of joy soon). Since one of our big visions is mobilizing missionaries to take the Gospel to all nations, we are excited to see people get the chance to fulfill that vision and take the Gospel to needy places.



*Chris (we're going to miss you) & Stephanie (joining our team)*

### Special thanks to:

- Linda at Camelot Golfland for the mini golf passes
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- Brad at Gem Meats
- Food 4 Less Fullerton (bread donations)
- Collin at the Portofino Hotel in Anaheim

Once again we want to sincerely thank you for your interest and support in our Foundation and our goal to change the world for the better. We appreciate you very much.

Sincerely,

For all of us here at Riovision