

# NORTHEAST BRAZIL TRIP 1 CAN-GO REPORT

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## **C for Champion**

Tele Moraes, Frank Penna, Patrick Neifert, Cassi Coleman for the women and children, RMYM could become a champion for this mission field, Rachel Ferguson with World Renewal, Pastor Joel and Angelica in Mirandiba.

## **A for Affirmation**

Living Stones ministries, World Renewal, Pastor Joel, Pastor Flavio, Pastor Bruno, Johnathan (a teacher at the international school) who has targeted Sertão area of Brazil as an unevangelized field, Cleber with VRE (who helps build homes and wells for communities who need them most), Ricardo Martin's our driver's salvation on our trip.

## **N for Compelling Need**

The percentage of evangelical Christians in the Sertão is less than 1%. The Quilombola people number 1,587,000 and are only recorded in Brazil. 55% Christianity and less than 1% evangelical Christianity. They are descendants of slaves and generally are discriminated against and live in extreme poverty in some areas.

The indigenous Indian tribe the Atikum. This group numbers 8,000. 10% Christian and less than 1% evangelical Christian.

## **G for Gifting**

Someone who is resourceful and possibly has basic medical training. Excellent in language learning and speaking, Bible knowledge and teaching, prayer, and intimacy with the Holy Spirit. Someone with a holistic mindset who can identify needs, perseverance, teaching and educational skills, evangelism, and discipleship. Someone who can help people build ownership through human development and creativity.

How many people will it take to begin a pioneer here: 2 or 3 couples. 2 singles. 1 single and 1 family. They do not need to all be from the United States! Brazilians or from other countries as well!

## **O for Opportunity**

YES! There are opportunities to learn Portuguese and the people, teach English or another subject the candidate is knowledgeable in at the International School in Carpina. This could also serve as a time to learn from local leaders about evangelism, outreach, discipleship, church planting and missions work with other missionaries already here. A "missionary training field." There are three Friends churches established in the Carpina area already. More opportunity is also seen in Mirandiba with the Quilombola people group and the Atikum tribe. There are also opportunities in Sousa (a bigger city.) There is definitely an openness and even invitations to come and join in ministry together!