

Apostolic Mission ~ Manaus, 2026

Objectives:

To develop unity among team of Brazilian Saints.

To discover the disciples/churches willing to accept the calling of the Saints.

To speak into the identity of our identity as Trees of righteousness.

To commit an activation concerning the Amazonian rain forest. To declare the histemi identity as a rain forest: partnering with God in welcoming the former rain and welcoming the season of the Lord; to accept the burden of the Lord for processing iniquity in the atmosphere and changing it to divine purpose/deepened roots/growth. To intercede as *sha'al* for the latter rain.

To intercede with the indigenous saints, in diversity of tongues within proskeuneo worship, to interpret, to welcome His Presence and encouraging prophetic worship within the church.

To believe for the Lord to establish some sort of "coordinator/communicator" among the indigenous churches of Manaus. To establish fellowship, encouragement and training of the saints of Manaus and greater Brazil.

To provide a vehicle for the Saints Network team to gain experience in overseas ministry while gaining personal witness to what God is doing in South America.

A few testimonies:

"I was impressed with the unity achieved among the Pastors, as they gathered to discuss what it means to be a Saints church. This has created a solid foundation for moving forward. The testimonies of the Pastors in the men and women's groups, made it real, so there are no surprises. Real connections were made...credibility was established. The teams gave them what they needed to go forward in this calling. We gave more than information...we equipped them. God did some mighty things!" LS.

"One major aspect of this mission was to empower the indigenous leaders to identify and embrace their position and calling in the Lord. What does it mean to be a saint and how does the saint function in this network? I cannot speak for the Brazillians, but I believe they got it and are moving forward in it." S Mags

Lessons Learned

What God Said...

"Go in lean"

razah (thinness, razor sharp, precision), *raz* (*mysterion*), ~ remnant, prince

Root... *raz* mystery/secret... the focus of becoming spiritually thin, precise to a measure of fine detail, completely surrendered to the will and plan of God; *mysterion* – ongoing pursuit of the revelation of the purpose of God... unveiled thru praying in unknown tongues.

Proverbs 8:15 By me kings reign, and **princes** (*razan*) decree justice (*sedeq*).

"The leanness of a prince is the means by which the righteous vision of God is established and set forth."

- We are entrusted with the accomplishment of a great task.
- And often comes with dealing with overwhelming circumstance.
- God loves to place us in scenarios where we feel measures of discomfort.
- *Circumstances require us to dig deep within us to find an extra measure of devotion and expertise.*
- *When tested beyond what we think we can achieve, this is often the means God provides for us to grow and develop in His service.*
- Requires creativity and innovation.
- Pressing higher and deeper.
- Isaiah an example... tapping in the double, the intimate place from which to draw.

Isaiah 24:16 From the uttermost part of the earth have we heard songs, even glory to the righteous. But I said, My **leanness** (*razi*), my **leanness** (*razi*), woe unto me! The treacherous dealers have dealt treacherously; yea, the treacherous dealers have dealt very treacherously.

- Appealing to the leanness (*razah*) of His existence in God.
- Leanness, *razah*, means thinness; razor, a thin and sharp device used for precision cutting.
- Root *raz*, meaning mystery or secret, translated as *musterion*.
- Mystery gained when we pray in tongues.
- The ongoing pursuit of the revelation of the will and purpose of God, providing a progressive pathway with many differing twists and turns.
- **Requires a willingness to adapt and change.**
- Isaiah equated spiritual leanness with the necessity to partner within the framework of the ongoing mysteries of God.
- **As we face a confusing scenario in the Spirit, it is imperative for us to immediately consider what the will of God is requiring.**
- **Our initial view of any perplexing situation must be through the eyes of accomplishing the will of God.**
- God is not the author of confusion, but there are times when we are perplexed simply because **He wants us to seek out a solution in Him.**

Proverbs 25:2 It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings is to search out a matter.

- We must wait on clarity, knowing what He has called us to be and what our overall objective is in this timeframe.
- The pathway to the miraculous is populated by what would seem to either be lack or impossibility. Leanness.
- To become as the "razor" is to become precise to a fine measure of detail.
- We must appeal to the precision attained through the many measures of development God has previously led us through.
- When pressed to the limit, we reach beyond our pre-conceived restriction into a discovered measure of capacity never realized before.
- Necessity requires a depth of perception we had never known before!!
- This mission exemplified this spiritual principle. God was faithful!

NT – prince - archēgos - author, captain, prince. **One that takes the lead in anything and the affords an example, a predecessor, a pioneer. Christ.**

This mission was a powerful demonstration of God's promotion in our apostolic calling!

What God said... again

"Come up higher. Lay down the weights that hold you down."

Hebrews 12:1-2 1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, **let us lay aside every weight**, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and **let us run with patience the race that is set before us**, 2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and **is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.**

1) Complete dependance on Him. (lost baggage)

- The 12

Mark 6:8-9 8 And commanded them that they should take nothing for their journey, save a staff only; no scrip, no bread, no money in their purse: 9 But be shod with sandals; and not put on two coats.

- The 70 ~ ministry expanded

Luke 10:1-4 After these things the Lord appointed other **seventy** also (His mission, His calling), and sent them two and two before his face (moving with Him) into every city and place, whither he himself would come. 2 Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly is great (ready to receive), but the labourers are few: **pray ye** (always precedes fruitfulness) therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest. 3 Go your ways: behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves (never promising comfort, but opposition!). 4 **Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes:** (totally dependent on HIM) and salute no man by the way (urgency).

- **They lacked nothing.**

Luke 22:35-38 35 And he said unto them, When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, ***lacked ye any thing?*** And they said, ***Nothing.***

- **Seek First the Kingdom... all shall be added unto you**

Matthew 6:31-34 31 Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? 32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. 33 ***But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.*** 34 Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

2) **Patience, the first sign** (delays, layovers, cancellations, etc.)

2 Corinthians 12:12 Truly ***the signs of an apostle*** were wrought among you ***in all patience***, in signs, and wonders, and mighty deeds.

Testimonies:

"I praise God for *His grace* toward me during this trip (Romans 5:2... ***access by faith into this grace wherein we stand***). This was the ***most difficult and physically challenging***. It started with missing my connection to Manaus, thus the first two days and nights in Manaus, as I was diverted to Brasilia to get to Manaus. I missed ministering at one of the scheduled churches. Spending sixteen hours in Brasilia, I believe ***the Lord had two things to accomplish***. First to meet with Carol, who also missed connection due to the airline, and ***to pray while in Brasilia***. Brasilia is the capital of Brazil located between São Paulo and Manaus. Cabo Frio is also situated in that location.

As we walked the city early that morning, we sat at a bus stop and prayed in the spirit. I felt a breakthrough. When we arrived in Manaus, I witnessed that same breakthrough.

Through it all, the Lord was dealing with me of patience. To forbear, endure, not to lose heart. In this I saw how the Saints in Brazil also endured their challenges holding onto what was deposited in them last year to now. I saw how my brothers and sisters longed for the Lord and His purpose there in Brazil." RF

"Walking this Apostle journey requires patience." CC

- The Lord is often in the delays. This was recognized, the opportunity was seized, the saints prayed and there was breakthrough.
- If it's opposition, He will use that as well, if we are a willing vessel, not overcome by the trial, but will press through in the Lord for His purpose.

**PRAY ~ WHEREVER GOD HAS YOU! DO NOT LAMENT OR COMPLAIN... PRAY!
HE IS WITH YOU!**

- Also, RF said he had such grace!
- **Here, Paul says we have access by faith to the grace wherein we stand.**
- As we stand, His grace will always be sufficient, no matter what we endure. What an amazing thing!

Romans 5:1-5 Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: 2 By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. 3 And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that **tribulation worketh patience; 4 And patience, experience; and experience, hope: 5 And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.**

- **Count it all joy, knowing He is working patience, that it would have its perfect work, and we would lack nothing.**

James 1:2-4 2 My brethren, **count it all joy** when ye fall into divers temptations; 3 Knowing this, that the **trying of your faith worketh patience.** 4 But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

- God uses all things, divers trials, to perfect and mature us. Patience is often God's process. Maturity cannot be produced instantly, only thru the process. We must let it have its perfect work... not resist it, but yield to what it is doing.
- Remain under the pressure of His purpose without giving up... steadfast endurance, undying hope in His promise, persevering rather than merely waiting.

Testimony ~ "From my perspective, I noticed the enemy coming against us from the beginning with: delayed flights, some spent days just trying to get to the final destination; lost luggage, general interruptions, distractions, misleading, confusion, some tummy issues, anything to bring disappointment or potentially bitterness.... I found the word buwsh - means shame, disappointed, delay, dry. See examples in Gen 2:25, Ps 109:29, Is 61:10. **I never saw anyone succumb. We stayed strong in unity preferring one another. Perhaps patience was tested, but we prevailed in the Lord. These are some of the lessons we live as we pursue the deep things and allow the pruning to bring us into perfect alignment. These experiences make it possible to partner with His Holy Spirit that we might be filled with all the fullness of God. The enemy may try but " for the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints."** Rev19:8. S.Magill

- The gravity of this calling is immense. Often His purpose can feel weighty.
- We must remain faithful under the heavy load without fleeing it prematurely. Endure.
- Brought to maturity, fulfillment of God's intended purpose.

- Maturity bears fruit, formed thru the testing of our faith.
- We become partners in breakthrough!!
- Trials expose weakness, God strengthens those areas when we endure.
- His goal is not merely to remove the pressure or trial, but to transform us through it, see it's intended purpose fulfilled.

Hebrews 10:35-36 35 Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward. 36 For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.

3) Rerouting/redirection ~ ability to pivot in ministry

- God often causes and then uses the re-direction for His purpose.
- We must be willing to abandon our own plans to follow His.
- Adaptable, willing to move in the suddenly. To pivot.
- "No" often prepares the way for a greater "yes."

Remember Paul and the man from Macedonia...

Acts 16:6-15 Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia and the region of Galatia, and were forbidden of the Holy Ghost to preach the word in Asia, 7 After they were come to Mysia, they assayed to go into Bithynia: but the Spirit suffered them not. 8 And they passing by Mysia came down to Troas. 9 And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; **There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us.** 10 And after he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavoured to go into Macedonia, assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them. 11 Therefore loosing from Troas, we came with a straight course to Samothracia, and the next day to Neapolis; 12 And from thence to Philippi, which is the chief city of that part of Macedonia, and a colony: and we were in that city abiding certain days. 13 And on the sabbath we went out of the city by a river side, where prayer was wont to be made; and we sat down, and spake unto the women which resorted thither. 14 And a certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, which worshipped God, heard us: whose heart the Lord opened, that she attended unto the things which were spoken of Paul. 15 And when she was baptized, and her household, she besought us, saying, If ye have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house, and abide there. And she constrained us

- Rerouting led to the gospel entering Europe, founding churches Philippi and others.
- Connection with Lydia, an intercessor, her home becoming one of the first places of the church in Philippi.
- Obstructions often prepare us for God's greater assignment.
- God often reroutes/reconfigures our plans to fulfill assignments in His way, not ours.
- What looks like setback become strategic advancement.

4) **Endurance** (Pressure, opposition, challenges...)

- **Faint not**

Galatians 6:9-10 9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. 10 As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith. (2 Thessalonians 3:13)

- Yes, we get tired. It's the work of the ministry. Hard work, requiring continual sacrifice.
- Plus, the opposition is real.
- We mustn't get weary, spiritually discouraged, but be strong and of good courage.
- Seize the opportunities God allows us, especially those He's sent us to minister to.

- **Good soldiers**

2 Timothy 2:3-4 3 Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. 4 No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.

- Expect it to be hard. There are challenges we will face in dealing with these churches.
- We must come alongside their struggles, in steadfast obedience, and encourage them.
- A good soldier is loyal, disciplined, focused, courageous, we must be all these things.
- Not let civilian pursuits entangle/distract us from the purpose/mission in which we are sent.
- All to please the ONE who sent us.

- **For the elect's sake!**

2 Timothy 2:10 Therefore **I endure all things for the elect's sakes**, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

- *We do it for the saints, those called and chosen. His purpose, making disciples.*
- *Some will accept, some will not. We don't know who, or which church will say yes.*
- *But we go, we endure, we pray and minister to all He sends us to.*
- *Paul planted, Apollos watered, but God brings the increase.*

- **Called to arise and shine, TO REFLECT HIS PRESENCE and LIGHT!**

Isaiah 60:1-3 Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee.

2 For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. 3 And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

- The darker the night, the more notable the light!
- His light will draw all nations to Himself!

5) **Confusion, Chaos, Uncertainty**

- **Enemy strategy, never of God... seek peace (fulfillment of mission... shalom)**
- Fix eyes on Him. Declare God's purposes!! Stand! Don't let chaos or confusion divert the mission!

1 Corinthians 14:33 For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.

- **Heavenly wisdom dispels confusion**

James 3:16-18 6 For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. 17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. 18 And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

6) **Know What You Carry**

Testimony ~ "We don't come in with fancy brochures, flashy merchandise, or the opportunity to invest in some big well-known ministry. We come simply with the invitation into deeper relationship, intimacy, PURPOSE and function in God... to become a saint, and for the church to become a house of prayer, part of a network of intercession committed to our saintly calling." PF

- We come bearing the image of God, clothed in His Presence, glory, righteousness, as representatives of His heart and vessels of His Spirit AND power, filled with the Holy Spirit, intercessors who pray in the Spirit, ready to teach and impart, equip and encourage the saintly calling.
- We come in as saints of the Most High, representing this saintly calling and all that it entails.
- **His transforming image in us, changed from glory to glory.**

2 Corinthians 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the **same image from glory to glory**, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

- **Endued with power from on high (function).**

Luke 24:49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be **endued with power from on high**.

- **Clothed in humility, the garment of a servant.**

1 Peter 5:5 Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble.

- **"Such as I have, I give..."**

Acts 3:1-11 Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour. 2 And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple; 3 Who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms. 4 And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us. 5 And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them. 6 **Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee:** *In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.* 7 And he took him by the right hand, and lifted him up: and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength. 8 And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God. 9 And all the people saw him walking and praising God: 10 And they knew that it was he which sat for alms at the Beautiful gate of the temple: and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened unto him. 11 And as the lame man which was healed held Peter and John, all the people ran together unto them in the porch that is called Solomon's, greatly wondering.

Thoughts from the TEAM:

Walking this Apostle journey requires patience and we must be ready for the suddenly, to be called on for whatever the Father wants for that moment. Also, we must be ready for the spiritual atmosphere that we encounter when we walk into the nations. I will never be the same God has truly birth in me a new vision for this walk. Brazil is the powerhouse for the Lord. We need to invest our resources into this nation. Prayer, finances, energy to support what God wants to do there. CC

During this trip the Lord revealed the deepness of His love for His people. The beauty that He sees in all of us. As a nurse, sometimes you see the worst in people, and I have struggled for a while to see that beauty anymore. This trip reminded me of what I always felt about The Fathers Church and their love. He reminded me of the scripture John 13:34-35 A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.” I saw this also demonstrated among the Pastors in Brazil, and my prayer is they can protect and perpetuate that love for one another in this time of transition to Saints before the Lord. CL

Utilizing the morning for prayer and ministry was a game changer. SM

During the women's conference God had me press in for the woman's spirits to be open to what He wants for them and their purpose. A trust so strong in Him knowing they can/must move by His spirit not their feelings and what occurs in the natural. KB

The message that we're bringing is new and some people may have a hard time understanding or receiving it. Make sure we move and kindness, love, and grace. Walk in tenderness, but authority as you impart to those of all ages. Remember God is the one who is calling them out. We are just a vessel. MM

Practical Observations:

The two vans made travel easy, and allowed the teams the opportunity to share in lighthearted, and encouraging conversations. LS

- 1) Try to find out as much as possible about the journeys and excursions separate for ministry, so you can have clothing and shoes.*
- 2) Be aware that you're going to be eating new things that may not sit with your stomach well, so eat in moderation. Also make sure you prepare and bring the needed medication.*
- 3) Confirm the temperature ranges so that you have the correct attire.*
- 4) Be aware that not every facility has washcloth, toilet paper, paper towel towels, so you may have to bring things from home and from the hotel.*
- 5) rest whenever possible because you will need it for the journey.*
- 6) plane seats are not always comfortable be prepared with the small pillow or blanket. MM*
- 7) Put clothes in a carry on, just in case!! SM*