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Querida Familia,

This week was a good one, despite the different challenges that we faced. Monday, we... what did we do? We went to the mall and ate hamburgers at McDonalds. It was good. I enjoyed it. Air Conditioning is awesome as well! 🍷

We had Zone Conference on Tuesday! It was an awesome experience. We arrived late, but everything went well still. It was just Teresina Horto Zone, usually it is the 2 zones together in Teresina, but this time it wasn't. We had lots of training, and it was really nice. We could feel the spirit, and it was great to see old friends again. I love it when we all get together in groups as missionaries. In the morning we had a meeting with President as trainers and with the Zone Leaders, and it was a bitter sweet feeling because President was talking about how he'll be leaving a little, more to just give us some more instruction before he left. He talked about the new President, he is actually German descendent, and he is very excited to work. All of his children are married so it will be a different experience with the new president because his wife will be with him to all the conferences and interviews and stuff.

We had lots of training, and then we left early to go to lunch in our areas. I won chocolate because of my birthday!

Lots of appointments fell through during this week, but we saw many miracles. Francinete will be baptized this week, and also Leomar, an investigator that we found while doing contacts. He went to church and he has an incredibly strong desire to change his life around. He has been showing his faith a lot this past week and we are going to work with him a lot so that he can accomplish this goal of his. He has a strong desire to be baptized and start a new life. I am really glad to be able to work with Elder Correia. Every companion with whom you serve teaches you valuable lessons that will help throughout the rest of the mission, and for the rest of your life. I can see many different things that I have learned from every one of my companions over these past 2 years.

We are working more with the members in the ward, and Hitalo, the Ward Mission Leader is working a lot with us and helping us out. The Ward made a mission plan this weekend and everyone is excited to work. We are all getting the goal in mind to split the ward and with all the excitement that the members have, this will have this year!

I am grateful for this opportunity to work as a missionary, and looking back now, I can see how much my testimony has grown from this experience.

Today we will play in our great autumn weather, War (Risk pretty much) and Ligretto and other stuff at a member's house while eating folded pizza! I'll take pictures.

This email is a little shorter than other weeks, sorry about that. Have a great time at the Cook out at the Burgess's! 🍷

Love you lots!

Love,

Elder Phillip Larsen

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**Pictures**

**DSCN8709** - In the Train Station in Center of Teresina.

**P1010282** - We were at a member's house and a storm was coming in! Randomly it got really windy and the clouds looked rather menacing!

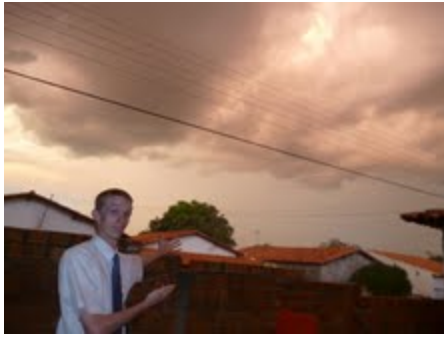
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