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Querida Familia,

Hey there! How has your week been? I hope it has been good.

Ours has been awesome. Hot, and fulfilling. We had many miracles, and it was just a cool week.

We started off with a relaxed P-Day just at home. I have been really tired lately, so I was grateful for that. We played monopoly deal, (card game) and then ended up just sleeping the rest of the day.

Tuesday we didn't have our usual district meeting because it was scheduled for Thursday so we could do a weekly planning training.

Thursday was good because we had that meeting in the morning, and we also had lunch at Fernanda's house, and that was fun because it was our entire district. (us 4 and the sisters from Floriano.)

We have some pretty cool investigators that we are teaching right now. Francisca and João Henrique, who have a baptismal date for the 23rd. They are an awesome family and it is really fun to visit them. They are so open and willing to learn more about the gospel. They both have the desire to be baptized.

This week was had a vacation day, and it got difficult to visit some people that day, and some people went and traveled the entire weekend, but we still managed to fill our day with visits.

This weekend was a great ending to the week. On Sunday, the other companionship had a baptism, and then we walked to lunch. Church wasn't normal this week because there was a temple dedication! It was a great experience. We left about 2 to arrive there at 3ish, and then we waited for the meeting to happen. President Uchtdorf came to Manaus. It was incredible just the spirit that you could feel at the Stake Center during that meeting, and it was amazing. I remembered how much I miss the temple! During that meeting we could feel the same peace that I have felt in the temple, and it was just a great moment.

I am so grateful for the gospel. On days that we have General Conference, or a temple dedication, I look around me and I feel sad for those who we pass on the street who to them it is just a normal day. Some people are drinking in groups in front of their house, and others are just unhappy looking for something in life. That is why Missionary Work is so important. Each simple truth of the Gospel helps us to really have that faith, that hope, and that happiness in life, especially during trials. I am grateful for this chance to serve as a missionary of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. This is God's church. This is His work, and His glory.

Amazing, it has already been one transfer with Elder Correia. We'll find out about transfers this week, probably a bit later today. I hate this anxious waiting to know what'll happen.

I love you very much and hope you have a great week!

Love,

-Elder Phillip Larsen

Pictures

0053 - Milkshake night!!! We have a milkshake night on Thursdays after our meeting with our Ward Mission Leader. It is fun.

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