



About Luke 10:2 Prayer Trips

By November 2024, EFM committed to launch seven of the nine fields that were under exploration. These seven fields are now moving into the prayer and pre-launch planning phases.

A **Luke 10:2 Prayer Trip** is an annual trip to the mission fields where EFM has committed to sending missionaries. Teams are asked to pray for the soil (Matthew 13:1-23) and pray for the workers (Luke 10:2).

These teams are sent or guided by sponsoring regions/yearly meetings of the new EFM fields that have been leading exploration. Each 10:2 Prayer Trip targets appropriate communities for prayer walking and interceding—asking that “the Kingdom come, and God’s will be done on earth as it is in heaven” in those places.



Dear Friends,

We’re excited to share a report from the recent **Prayer Trip to the Sertão Region of Northeast Brazil**. The following is a report written by team member Philip Burgi.



Who Was on This Trip & Where Did We Travel?

A team of nine, representing six churches and three Yearly Meetings, traveled from the USA beginning July 14-24, 2025.

The group included:

Jacob Stooke, Calen Brudos-Nockles, Ryan Barber, Phil Burgi, Christy Neifert, and Frank Penna from Rocky Mountain YM. Shawn Wilson and Sherry Schoening from Indiana YM. And, Jan Cammack from Northwest YM.

Stop 1 – Carpina (near Recife, Pernambuco, Brazil)

Our potential partner, World Renewal Brazil’s ministry, is centered here. The group was hosted by Tele Moraes and spent a day visiting and praying with the staff at the International School and over the ABBA Youth Camp near Carpina.

Stop 2 – Sousa, Paraíba, Brazil

We were hosted by Pastor Flavio Travassos. **We prayed for:**

- the Cigano (Gypsy) community and a future church site near the Christian leader Bozzano's home
- Pastor Flavio and his family
- their children's ministry located north of Sousa

Stop 3 – Mirandiba, Pernambuco, Brazil

We prayed and ministered over three days, meeting with local pastor Joel Candido and participating in the first Missions Conference held in the Sertão, organized by Joel. We also had wonderful prayer opportunities during these days. Our team split into smaller groups and prayed as we walked the streets of Mirandiba and nearby communities. We experienced a number of "divine appointments" - praying in homes, open fields, and on the streets.

Return Journey – Caruaru, Pernambuco

On the way back to Carpina, we stopped in Caruaru to visit with Pastor Cesario, who, with his wife and son, is starting a new work supported by World Renewal Brazil.

We prayed with Pastor Cesario for:

- the community
- their new kids' ministry (already reaching about 40 students)
- more workers to come alongside them



A Trip Highlight

There were so many spiritual highlights. However, the group's sense of unity over the "call" to the Sertão seemed the most significant. The physical and spiritual needs are so evident, the people are so welcoming, and the few Christians we encountered in ministry are also praying for workers in this needy field.

Although a difficult place to live and minister, we affirm the sense of those on previous trips that the Mirandiba area of the Sertão would be an excellent place to center an Evangelical Friends Mission ministry in Brazil.

We also felt the area around Caruaru, on the edge of the Sertão, had possibilities as a ministry center. It is much closer to ministry resources near Carpina, as well as more adaptable for families with children.

What did We Pray for? How Can You Continue Praying?



- Pray for ministry partners already on the ground in the Sertão – for spiritual fortitude, fellowship, and prayer.
- Pray for the Quilombola, Atikum, and Ciganos as well as other Brazilians in these communities where there is so much spiritual darkness.
- Pray that God would raise up missionaries from within our churches to go serve in Northeast Brazil.
- Pray for Friends churches and yearly meetings to renew their passion for the lost especially in the Sertão.

Thank you for your prayers and support. We believe God is stirring hearts for the people of the Sertão, and we invite you to continue praying with us for his work in Northeast Brazil.

We look forward to sharing more news as it becomes available about what we are finding and discerning in EFM's Luke 10 Initiative.

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