

HOME

of the Good Shepherd

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CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF IMPACTING
THE LIVES OF CHILDREN IN BRAZIL

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"I AM LOVED AND CHOSEN BY GOD"

SALLY WAS 14 YEARS OLD when her mom and step dad decided they did not want her anymore. The next day she was welcomed into her new and very large family at Home Of The Good Shepherd. She settled in so quickly, making many new friends and loving her new life at the Home.

A few months later, the judicial system granted custody back to her mom and Sally left the Home to live with her. Several months down the road we began to hear that things were not going well for Sally and a short time later she was brought back to Home Of The Good Shepherd. Through it all, Sally came back with a joyful spirit and was content to be living back with all of her friends.

Now 17 years old, we asked Sally what she thinks about living at the Home. She replied by saying, "Even though I did not receive love in my upbringing, I have learned how to love others. I realize how I am loved and chosen by God and that He wants the best for my life. The Home has taught me to have good people by my side so that I can have help, to not let other negative things around me pull me down, and to never give up even when things are difficult. God forgave my sin and He wants the best for me."

Sally is doing well in school and enjoys helping in any area she can at the Home. She is a very active and athletic young lady. We are so grateful that God is working in her life and pray that she would continue to have a sensitive heart to His leading.

Unfortunately, Sally's past experience of being unwanted is something many children at the Home have to work through.

Please join with us in praying for Sally and other children like her; that they would discover the deep and unconditional love of Jesus and experience the acceptance found in being a child of God.

Thank you for being part of the the last 50 years. From children your prayers and support have

*Names have been changed to protect privacy.

Celebrating 50 Years of HGS



Home of the Good Shepherd was established in 1971 by Kurt and Gudrun Redmann. Over the last 50 years the Home has flourished and reached thousands of children for Jesus. Many of these children have gone on to lead successful lives, sharing the life changing story of God's love with those around them.

Marcio came to the Home when he was 7 years old. He and his twin sister lost their mother when they were only 4 months old. Their father decided it would be best if they would live in a “home” where they could go to school and have better opportunities since they lived far from town. Marcio’s sister was sent to a different city where there was a home for girls and Marcio was sent to Home Of The Good Shepherd (which at the time was a home specifically for boys).

Marcio grew up with many other boys and went to the local school. At the Home he learned about God and made a decision to follow Jesus!

Over the years he received rare visits from his father and only saw his sister after many years. When he turned 18, he briefly joined the army before going back to live near his family for a couple of years.

During a visit back to the Home, Randy’s dad (Kurt Redmann), asked Marcio to come and work there to help in an area where they were making and selling washboards and other wooden items to provide for the needs of the children at Home Of The Good Shepherd. Marcio accepted the new opportunity and over the years the ministry grew. Marcio showed

great interest and was motivated to take courses and learn as much as he could and eventually transitioned to a position in the main office.

Marcio continues to be part of the Home where he grew up. He is now 50 years old and has worked at the Home for the past 30 years! His current role at HGS has him working in the office where he is largely involved with the day to day operations.

He has been married to his wife Janete for 28 years and they have two sons (25 and 10 years old). The older son has a career in the army and lives in a different city with his wife. All are serving the Lord and are involved in their local church.



stories of children at the Home for like Sally, to adults like Marcio - impacted thousands of lives!

Want to help?

- 3 cottages at HGS need bathroom renovations with a total cost of \$10,925.
- The Home is also in need of face masks, 3 fans and a new mattress with a total cost of \$465.

Would you consider being part of one of these projects?

PASS IT ON! SHARE THIS NEWSLETTER WITH SOMEONE YOU KNOW AFTER YOU'VE HAD A CHANCE TO GO THROUGH IT.



Donations to Home Of The Good Shepherd can be made by **Mail** (cheque), **Email** (Interac e-Transfer or automatic bank withdrawal), or **Online** (credit card).

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A NEW CHAPTER

On its 50th anniversary, HGS is excited to share that it is extending its reach to include another ministry! For nearly 40 years, Amiguinho Feliz (also known as *Ursula's Children's Home*) has been teaching the children of Brazil about Jesus at its day program in the neighbouring state of Santa Catarina. Each day 170 children from low income families or vulnerable situations come to receive food, age specific programming and hear about the love of Jesus. This impactful ministry is led by Canadian missionary Ursula Richter (pictured on reverse) and her team of staff - some of whom had previously attended the day program when they were children.

Over the past 2 years God has shown the role HGS can have in helping this ministry continue to be successful. Home of the Good Shepherd is committed to walking alongside Ursula's Children's Home as it cares for the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of the children of Brazil.

Be on the lookout for more about this exciting new chapter of HGS in 2022!

If you have any questions in the meantime please be in touch at info@hgsbrazil.org.

