

**PRAY**

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## Pray for Hermelinda & Jorge Damasceno reaching out for Christ to Portuguese speaking people in Great Britain.



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Jorge and Hermelinda are associate missionaries who serve with the Baptist Churches in the Dereham region of the United Kingdom. They are assisting churches of the Baptist Union of Great Britain reach out to the communities of Portuguese-speaking migrant workers in the region. The Damascenos' work involves visiting migrant workers, assessing needs and working with the churches to develop strategies to welcome and provide services for the migrants so that they may grow in the understanding of God's love, truth and justice. The Damascenos previously served as missionaries in Albania. They are now serving in the United Kingdom as jointly appointed missionaries of International Ministries and JAMI, the cross-cultural mission agency of the National Baptist Convention (CBN) in Brazil. Jorge and Hermelinda serve through the Amigos Project in the UK, which seeks to serve the Portuguese-speaking community.

They write – “We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.” (Romans 6:4)

### **Ministry in Great Yarmouth – UK**

The Lord has been wonderful to us in everything has blessed the work of our hands.

We have seen the ministry in Great Yarmouth; grow in number and in grace every day. The Lord has confirmed our call to this place and has shown his love and affection towards those who are marginalized by society.

Great Yarmouth is the city in the UK with the largest number of people with mental health problems. We have had the grace of God and the necessary wisdom to take care of those whom He has entrusted to us.

On Easter Day we had the joy of baptizing 6 brothers and sisters. It was a bilingual service, for at the same occasion a sister of the English-speaking congregation was baptized as well. What a blessed service! Brothers and sisters being baptized into Christ to live a new life in him. Glory to God!

### **Ministry in Albania**

In Albania, the Lord has also been generous towards his people. The work has grown and they have been blessed by a Christian organization and the European Baptist Federation, which will build a new temple for the Church right in the center of the city. Pr. Edmond Palucaj is very happy. In a conversation I had with him, he expressed his gratitude to the Lord

This is the realization of a dream that the church always had, to have a building that is seen and regarded as a Christian presence right in the town centre. God is good again

### **Ministry in Kikavu – Tanzania**

The construction of the health unit for women & children and specialization in diabetes, is going at full throttle. We believe that it is going to be finished by the end of the year.

This unit will be very important for the small village of Kikavu and its surroundings. Last year more than 11 pregnant women died before arriving at the hospital in time for childbirth.

Pray that the necessary finances will be met. Find more here: [www.healthamplifier.org](http://www.healthamplifier.org)

### **Prayer Request**

- For the Church in Great Yarmouth
- For the Church in Albania for the construction of the Mother & Child Unit in Tanzania.
- For our health
- For our children