



Dear Friends and Family, *January 2026*
I've just returned from Brazil after two impactful weeks of outreach—14 meetings across two states—engaging three critical spaces: churches, schools, and public service, aka the “Trifecta of Brazil”!

January in Brazil is recognized as White January (Janeiro Branco), a national initiative dedicated to mental health awareness, with special focus on first responders. Over the years, our work in suicide prevention and youth mental health has gained national recognition. As a result, local municipalities have invited us to bring a message of life and hope directly to police officers, military personnel, firefighters, and prison officials in the communities where they serve.

Through my role as a volunteer chaplain with my local police department, as well as working with first responders internationally, I've seen firsthand how the weight of the badge extends far beyond the shift. The demands of the job affect not only officers, but their families as well. In Brazil, this reality is especially urgent—suicide is the leading cause of death among police officers.



This is why these conversations matter.

This is why we show up.

This is why the message of life must be spoken clearly, boldly, and often.



We were invited to speak to 300 military police cadets— young men and women who will soon be entrusted with great authority and responsibility. Their mental health and spiritual foundation will be essential in empowering them to serve with strength, wisdom, and excellence.

Our focus returned to Brazil’s smallest state, Sergipe—small in size, yet bold in vision. The state has implemented forward-thinking legislation that now mandates meaningful conversations around mental health in public spaces across the community. When January arrives, the nation, especially Sergipe opens doors of access to their military and law enforcement.

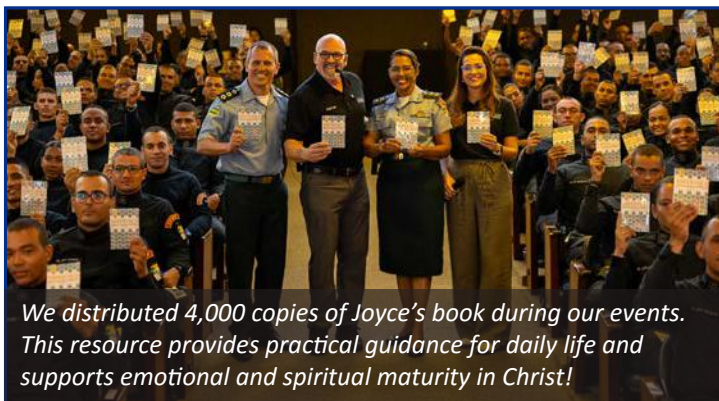
Last year, we were scheduled to speak with the military police in the city of Aracaju. Unfortunately, due to political and communication challenges, those meetings were canceled. I sensed this was more than a logistical setback—it felt like a spiritual resistance. In response, our team prayer-walked the military complex, asking God for favor and future access.

Exactly one year later, those doors opened. The opportunity we were given to communicate the life of Christ was extraordinary, and the access far exceeded what we had originally imagined.

Our first two days was with the military police command staff and cadets. It was a difficult and deeply

sobering conversation. They had lost two of their own to suicide the previous month, and the grief was still fresh—the wounds open, the questions lingering. During these two-hour sessions, ranks and titles were set aside, creating space for honest conversation about the life within. I challenged all in attendance to look inward and evaluate their hearts before Jesus.

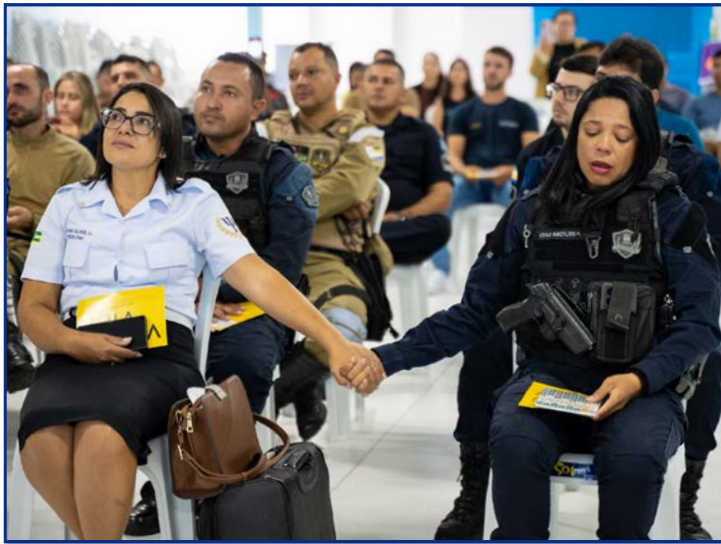
Communication is essential to life, and the dialogue that began marked the start of a season of healing and restoration.



We distributed 4,000 copies of Joyce’s book during our events. This resource provides practical guidance for daily life and supports emotional and spiritual maturity in Christ!



I spoke to a Presbyterian community - it was a privilege to share my testimony of forgiveness and life in Christ. Many responded with a desire for healing, forgiveness, and renewed life.



Ten years of ministry in the state of Sergipe has established credibility and fostered kingdom-minded relationships, opening doors that would otherwise remain closed. As a result, the city traffic police and the state fire department invited us to take part in their month-long conversations centered on life.

As with every gathering we lead, these meetings go beyond checklists and practical instruction. They become life-giving moments—almost church-like in nature—where honest conversations about life and death take place within the context of everyday living. In those spaces, we reflect on how the decisions we make today and the conversations we share with

others shape not only our present, but our eternal destination. The Spirit of God moved deeply— it continues to amaze me how similar the mental and emotional needs of first responders are across cultures.

My heart has always been drawn to teenagers and young adults, and that calling continues to guide this work. Whenever a door opens to speak life into this generation, I step through it with gratitude. The Federal University of Sergipe welcomed my team and me, allowing us to share a message of hope and mental health with students. Though such settings are often resistant to expressions of faith, this moment was different—teachers and students engaged openly and responded with genuine interest and conviction.

These kinds of meetings create relational doorways that lead back to local churches and faith based communities, providing life-giving environments for continued growth.





The State Fire Commander arranged interviews with local and national media outlets, prompting deeper conversations about life across multiple agencies.



January set the tone—a strong first stride into a year of intentional, strategic moments. In every gathering, God met us with grace, revealing the truth of Jesus to hearts that were open, weary, and ready to receive.

That steady, unmistakable expression of love is what fuels me to keep going—to seize every opportunity and, as Paul urged, to “redeem the time, because the days are evil.” The clock keeps ticking, but so does hope.

Thank you for helping me share the life of Christ with a generation aching for truth. This mission is shared ground, and none of it happens without your partnership with us!



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