## Recifé NewsBeat December 2019

Greetings, from an exceedingly hot Recife!

As you are freezing, we are melting!! Each day the temperature seems to rise!

Just thought I'd send a little update to accompany these photos I recently took of some of the kids, to try and feel "Christmasy" in this heat! They are a total bunch of showoffs, but I love 'em!!

Well Vale lessons have finished for the year, just got the Christmas presentation this coming Thursday, where the kids will talk about Jesus being Hope, Peace, Light and Love! They have drama, crafts, songs and poems that will be presented to their families! Each child will receive a present of new clothes and their family will receive a food parcel!





On Wednesday, I along with 3 other teachers, will take 30 of our kids to sing at a Christmas event at one of the private universities here in Recife, who actually helped pay for the kids clothes this year!

We will be working at Vale until the end of December this year, as the teachers who have children normally have holidays before their kids do, so do not get to spend time with them, this year will be different! We will get the first 15 days of January as holidays.

Starting last Friday, we started accepting application interviews for possible new children to enter Vale for 2020. It is a lengthy process, as just because they have an interview doesn't mean they will enter the project! We have to evaluate each application to see if they fit our criteria profile! This is difficult! But we have about 30 kids who are leaving Vale this year because of the age, so we have to fill their spaces!

In January we will host our yearly youth holiday Bible club, with help from our partner Korean church from São Paulo! I have had to think of a theme for this event and artwork, which is near enough sorted! We are currently filling up the 150 spaces available!

Things at the Roda continue! We are in a process of change, challenges and uncertainty, but God IS still in control!

Oh! Have run out of space! Well, this just leaves me to thank you all for your continued support this year, it is greatly appreciated!

I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year! Lots a love Ali (&Robério)

