

To recicle is essential to the balance of the world. It is a practice which is also becoming urgent in missionary work. In this context we have been more sensitive to a rapidly changing world, to cultural differences and new trends. Meanwhile, we are certain that unless the Lord builds the house, any tipe of strategy or efforts by the builders is in vain. When God moves, who might resist the touch of His Spirit? On the other hand, stewardship and good planning are also wise principles to be followed.



The daily life in the city! Ms. Manuela came to our sunday service through an invite from Ricardo, who helped her carry some groceries. This 84-year-old lady, out of politeness and respect, accepted the invite from that gentle boy. Since then, however, she has never stopped coming every Sunday afternoon. This is the work of Christ, who convinces who and how He wants. We are joyful

that last week she invited us for lunch at her house and it is a great blessing to see the joy in this woman as she served us and heard about the Word of Jesus Christ in her own home!

We want to go where people

are. The local marketplace is a strategic place to meet people that we would not get the chance to meet in a spiritual context, I am truly pleased for my leaders and colleagues of Be One Together, because they had the chance to personally be at the marketplace and chat with Ms. Alice, a seller of vegetables and fruits. Now, she is more open and joyful in my company, because I presented her to good clients who buy fresh fruit and vegetables from her and treat her with respect and politeness.



Being a close friend! Not only with Ms. Alice have I been establishing friendship and a personal connection. I have also been forming bonds with other fellow merchants and some of the usual clients, who seek to come to my shop to stop for a chat. Manuela Jarego is one of those clients. She is a schoolteacher, who is very interested in the Bible. We have talked a lot and are developing a good friendship. I am joyful for I invited her to come to a woman's meeting which she eagerly accepted.

Being a close friend, from afar. I thank God for the life of Karla. She is a married young adult, who lives in Montijo, near Setubal. She has a very lively 6-year-old child. Her husband is an atheist and Karla demonstrates atheistic influences. She is, however, open to my friendship. Yesterday I went to her town, and we spent the afternoon together. Next week, we are planning to meet in our house in Cartaxo, for lunch with



the entire family. I plan to present them to the team from LusoCristã Setubal when they are ready and open to hear the Gospel.

Straightening bonds daily must be our target! I have known Carolina and Viriato since they were kids in elementary school. Carolina is going to the Surf Camp at Word of Life Portugal. The camp begins Monday, and we need to keep praying for the Lord to give her the faith which may transform her life. After this camp I plan to challenge her to begin a discipleship program.

Hard work and depending on the Lord are keys aspects to the task before us. For this reason, as a team which works for the Lord's kingdom, we want to always take time for prayer, asking God to send us people and show us the best strategy to follow. I thank God for the meetings I have had, online and on-site, which are dedicated to prayer. Now I and my dear sisters in Christ, Eunice and Romana, are beginning to host prayer meeting here in my house, which will take place twice a month, and will allow us so **sit at the table with Christ!**

I am thankful for all your help and prayers. Praise God for it.

In Christ,

Isabel Fernandes

