São José dos Campos, SP - Brazil **September 2025**

"In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world."
John 16:33b

Dear family and friends,

Sofia noticed something was wrong. Her great aunt came to pick her up at school on time, but recently her parents had often forgotten or were late. She and her three siblings were moving to a new home with their great aunt. Sofia is one of our Haven of Hope students. Her parents were involved with drugs and distribution; even her grandmother participated. They forgot to take kids to school or pick them up. Police now have the parents and grandmother in custody, and the children's options were foster care or staying with relatives. Their great aunt offered to care for them.



Sofia learning to read

This is the reality of many students we receive. Destroyed families leave kids at others' mercy. As parents, it's hard dealing with cases lacking parental care or love. We thank the Lord for opportunities to present the Gospel and see students excel. When Sofia started in January, she couldn't distinguish numbers from letters. Now she reads with some difficulty and does basic math. Most importantly, she understood the Gospel and memorizes Bible verses. She knows Truth and is equipped to share the Gospel with siblings, friends, and family. She has hope in Jesus, our only salvation from this evil world.



Former owners of the building and us

Great news! Haven of Hope's building purchase paperwork is signed! Payment will be in four installments; the first was August, with three more in September, October, and November. Since last year, the dollar's value has declined in Brazil. We can pay for the building with raised funds but will have no reserves for daily expenses. We're raising funds to restore our expense account, seeking $5,000 with $1,500 already raised. Visit online at **www.haven.org.br** and select "**General**" or donate **by mail** (instructions below). This helps Haven of Hope keep bills current and continue providing lunch and student materials.

In 2026, we plan visiting supporters and churches August-November 2026; we're in initial planning. September 18th, our oldest turned 15! In Brazil, girls traditionally party or travel; Rebeka chose travel. Time flies our "little girl" is 15! We thank the Lord she loves and follows Him.

Blessings,
Andrew, Carmen, Rebeka, Timothy and Deborah Pereira

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Financial Support Online and by Mail instructions:

Support and gifts can be sent **on-line** at: **donate.missionary.com.br** or **by check** following these instructions: **1.** Make the check payable to: **Haven of Hope Brazil**. **2.** In the check **Memo address** to: **Andrew & Carmen Pereira**. **3.** Mail the check to: **Haven of Hope Brazil, P.O. BOX 480, Wheaton, IL 60187**.

Pray with us — Andrew, Carmen, Rebeka, Timotheo and Deborah — Brazil — September 2025

1. That Sofia may continue seeking Jesus and ajust to her new home.
2. Funds for daily use at Haven of Hope (rasing $5,000.00).
3. Raise $300/month to meet minimum mission support requirements.