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*We provide quality education and training for children living in poverty in the slums of Brazil.*

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Our vision is to form the next generation of Christian leaders, ready to transform their communities and nation.  
We are an organization with 25 years of experience and success helping children at risk.



## *Silent Voices No More*

*Message from Marc Marques, Director*

Towards the end of June, a group of protestors took to the streets in Sao Paulo to protest at a small rise in bus fares. The next day the crowd grew and the protest grew into a manifestation of the frustration of many Brazilians working hard and paying taxes but still having to live with overcrowded buses, high levels of crime and endless reports of corruption.

Within a week the protests spread throughout Brazil and interestingly also spread across all classes, rich and poor, who were protesting together against the government. Invariably with 1 million people on the streets, some of the protestors became violent. The police responded forcefully with tear gas and rubber bullets.

The people of Brazil are becoming increasingly frustrated with the social inequalities that exist here and the level of corruption that constantly impedes the welfare of those who need the most help. Please pray for honest righteous leaders who can stand up for justice and competently serve the Brazilian people.

## Family

The additional curriculum that CBC has introduced for children goes above and beyond the subjects covered by the state school. We call this curriculum Orientation For Daily Life, and specifically chose topics which will help the children to understand Biblical principles and establish a foundation upon which to build their lives.

Our first topic this year was family.

2nd Grade - The Value of Family

3rd Grade - Obedience in the Family

4th Grade - Respect in the Family

5th Grade - Family Relationships

6th Grade - Family Responsibility



Students presenting their project work on the subject of Family.

A sketch about the differences between a family living in conflict and another in harmony.



This month we will begin a project about sports and fitness which proved to be very successful last year. Using popular subjects like this, we encourage the children to read, interpret information and present their findings. Our sports project also teaches principles of leadership, teamwork and character.

Towards the end of this year our final project will be about occupations.



## Soccer Crazy



FIFA WORLD CUP  
Brasil

If you haven't yet heard, next June, Brazil will be the host nation of the Soccer World Cup. 12 different cities including Fortaleza will be hosting games.

There are currently lots of work projects going on in the city, which is causing some disruption to our daily lives but overall the staff and children are excited.



Marc and Ruth reminded students that as Christians we are all a part of God's Family

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