# 2018 Social Report



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### **BEM** history

In 1966, the missionary Dutch couple, Nicolaas and Trijnie van Eijk landed in Sao Paulo from Stadskanaal, Holland. After spending a year working in a juvenile institution run by Dutch people in São José do Rio Pardo (São Paulo), the couple moved to small Sabinópolis, in the interior of Minas Gerais, in 1967

In 1968, the couple founded The Evangelical Pentecostal Missionary Church (IEMP) from the contact with the numerous social problems present in the community and the perception that the Gospel needed to be materialized through the loving care of these social needs. The couple begins to care for children and their families in their own home. The biblical text of 1 John 3:17 troubles them and their Dutch compatriots about the social situation of this community, as there were a large number of poorly structured families and undernourished children who wandered begging through the streets of the village.

Thus, in 1973, the Bem Estar do Menor crèche was founded as a body of legal personality and diaconal arm of the IEMP Church, to meet the social demands of these children and their families. Since then, a number of social projects and actions have been created and developed over the years. It has contributed significantly to meeting the social needs, transformation and social development of the communities where BEM has expanded its approach.



If anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him?

I John 3:17

### Mission

Contribute to the Integral development of children, adolescents, families and communities through sustainable socio-educational actions aimed at a dignified life.

### Vision

To be a happy organization where people are valued and have opportunities for new birth, social development, advocacy and dignified life

### Values

- Commitment to families and communities to eradicate poverty.
- Cooperative work.
- Christian principles.
- Developing people.
- Promotion and Advocacy of children and adolescents.
- Joy and enthusiasm.
- Transparent.
- Socio-environmental responsibility.





# Word of the president

"Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the LORD our God."

Psalm 20:7

As humans, we tend to always walk trusting in our own capabilities or to put our trust in what is visible and tangible. Besides, often casting hope in promises and expectations on something that has no guarantee. But as we are limited in our knowledge and care, however thank God we depend on God's mercy.

God has been merciful and is always reminding and directing us to deposit in Him and only in Him, our confidence. It is a constant exercise that one should not cast hope and safety in the "chariots and horses" as said by psalmist, for they will break or lose their strength and utility, however, in the Lord we will always be safe, oriented and renewed.

When we stop to think there's more than 50 years of operation, thousands of people who experienced the love of Jesus, families, children, the elderly who were accompanied by the various projects that BEM executes. Humanly, it's something that scares and that can become dangerous! Calm down... Calm down, I'll explain: it scares because of the fear, insecurity, responsibility and it can become dangerous due to the pride and to think it's about what we can do.

How happy and grateful I am to God who gave us a team of co-workers and friends who walk with us for so many years, first committed to Him, the Lord of this work, so that we can always help each other remember that: "For from Him and through Him and for Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever! Amem." (Romans 11:36) We want to remember each day to glorify in the name of the Lord, our God, for He has been faithful, has been adding people with vision and desire to serve, to support the mission. He has also been placing the people to whom we serve in our way, so that we can demonstrate His Love in a practical way through the actions of everyday life. Our own capabilities, resources, conditions would never be able to reach what has been achieved during all these years. Thinking especially of the last year, when we were confronted with a huge financial challenge, due to all the political and social issues our country lives, sometimes we felt helpless during 2018. No man, government would be ever capable to direct, motivate, stimulate, comfort and sustain us for all these years! By our own abilities, desires and strength we could never be witnesses and at the same time be able to walk a "second mile" with those who the Lord loved and put in our "way".

We recognise and we glorify in the name of the Lord for all that was possible to accomplish through the projects. For each child, teenager, adult, elderly and family that was assisted. For the lives and families restored, future prospects renewed, in addition to the dignity in living. The Kingdom is empathy and inclusion.

To Him belongs all the glory forever, amen!

Oscar Leonard Willian van Eijk

# Word of the director

Dear friends and partners,

History tells about the destruction of Jerusalem and of the Temple constructed by Solomon by the king of Babylon, Nebuchadnezzar. All the people were taken captive or deported to other countries – this exile lasted 70 years. After this difficult period, the reconstruction of Jerusalem and the Temple was allowed.

The Bible describes what happened: "By the seventh month, when the Israelites had settled in their towns, all the people assembled together as one person in Jerusalem" (Ezra 3.1). That unity that gave strength, energy and courage to the Jewish people on that occasion to rebuild what had been knocked down.

What catches the eye is the power that emanates from "all the people assembled together as one person", both for good and for bad. History is full of examples that serve as instruction to the future generations. But through the difficult time that Brazil faced (and still faces) of crisis in several crucial areas of the state (political, economic, security, health, education, among others), how good it would be if the Brazilian people came together as one person – unity of thought, action, conjunction of efforts and resources – to bravely face the reality that afflict us. More than that, that the Brazilian people all of us, you, me... – made a commitment to eradicate corruption, misery, insecurity, purpose deviation, the "Brazilian way" that destroys more than it fixes, and took care of our people with dignity, respect and equal opportunities.

2018 was a particularly difficult year and it was quite challenging. 2019 presents itself with remnants and consequences of the year ended. But we must hope that the people can come together as one person. More than that, let the change start in one man/woman at a time. And may this change begin in the heart – each one of us needs God's grace and love to change our own life and face our own giants. And that Grace is accessible to each one of us – as said Jesus: "You must be born again" (John 3:7). May this union take place around the reality of the Kingdom of God in each one of us.

Let's advance with confidence and determination.

Daniel Ferdinand van Eijk.



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### Where are we?

BEM is located at seven municipalities in the Northeast of Minas Gerais State , Rio Doce Valley, Mucuri Valley and Jequitinhonha Valley, as well as in Itaparica Island, Bahia State.



Minas Gerais		Bahia	
Sabinópolis	Senhora do Porto	Vera Cruz	
Euxenita	Carmésia		
Materlândia	Rio Vermelho		
Paulista			

# Children and teens preventation and protection policy

BEM attends integrally to children and teens which comes from the perspective that kids well-being depends directly on the family and community situation. Therefore, a Children and Teenagers Protection Policy was collectively built by social agents involved at BEM projects. The document aims to generate an institutional strategy based on international established standards to offer safety and protection to children and teenagers that take part in the projects executed by BEM. All cooperators, temporary hired employees and volunteers of BEM are annually trained on the Policy. As it's implemented, BEM expects that kids are protected according to a practice pattern that preserves their rights and keeps them away from danger.



### **Projects**

### Creche

Creche contributes to the integral development and social insertion of 0 to 03 years old kids in its 08 units, offering Child Education of ensured quality. BEM Daycares present themselves as a possible and feasible way of basic rights advocacy as it builds an embracing society aware of its duties as Brazilian children based on bible principles.

### Conviver

This project comes from the local needs of attending 04 to 06 years old kids that left the Creche Project. Its main goal is to complement pedagogical activities of school from an individual perspective as the major kids start their studies at the municipal and state schools. Besides attending 04 to 11 years old kids that comes from vulnerable context, it considers the integral formation and the Education as a continuous process that generates social transformation.

	Child Education Tot	Child Education Total Attendance in 2018			
Project	Female	Male	Meals		
Creche 0 - 03 years	164	159	211794		
Conviver 04 - 12 years	159	174	179299		
Total	323	333	391093		
Total	65	56	391093		



# Community center

### NOVA POUSADA AND RIO VERMELHO

Develop processes in which families, communities, organizations and community leaders in the territory work together in order to elaborate community development proposals through an active participation with involvement of several governmental and non-governmental actors. The target is to reach an united and empowered community, searching for local problems solutions through services and representatives articulation of Public and Private Power.

### Connected actions with teens

In 2087, actions involving teenagers was executed in partnership with the public fellowship work that aims to strength family strings twice a week. The main objective was to attend to teenagers from 12 to 17 years old in the Community Center. In 2018, the aim was to value youth, developing activities that approaches protagonist promotion, support and social orientation. Experient leaders did the follow-up supporting project and actions. Christian values are the base for the diverse and updated proposals.

### Family fellowship center

actions with family

Executed in Rio Vermelho
Community Center in partnership
with the local public authorities, its
main difference among other
initiatives is the family approach that
involves father, mother, sons,
daughters and grandparents). Each
family enjoys individual attendance
with a social agent once a week. The
basic proposal is to strength family
attachments through activities
developed by kids along with their
families.

### Bem fellowship center

action with kids

Attends to 03 to 11 years old kids in the school counterturn shift at the Community Center facility. Kids come from socioeconomic vulnerable families. At the Fellowship Center, the proposal is to accomplish specific attendance with school support, pedagogical activities, guitar classes, dancing classes, devotional and social promotion.

### **Vamos Worden**

action with teens and families

It aims to provide teenagers that used to have too much spare and useless time at Chapadinha, a new experience of community through the involvement in activities such as school support, art, music, sport, social inclusion, devotional within the family, school, community and BEM. It contributes to family and community network strength. It also considers youngsters' potential as protagonists of their own stories.



### Claves juggling we strengthen to face difficult situations

It is a program for the prevention of child abuse and sexual violence and for the promotion of good family relations. Through sequential workshops, Claves provides a playful and participatory approach, which promotes the reduction of vulnerabilities of children and adolescents through the development of personal, family and community strengthening factors. Songs, dances, board games, theatrical games, stories, puppets, riddles, puzzles, and other techniques are explored in workshops and allow children and adolescents to empower themselves to deal with difficult situations.



### Community Center Project Execution in 2018

Community Center						
Project	Female	Male	Total	Meal	Attendance/year	
SCFV	47	19	66	3448	2439	
Conviência Familiar	5	6	11	313	313	
Conviver Bem	21	17	38	1731	1731	
Vamos Worden	16	29	45	1786	1786	
Grupo de Mães	17	0	17	190	190	
Zumba	20	0	20	0	720	
Famílias CCRV	(7)	-	160	1225	1225	
BtV - CCNP	8	7	15	258	267	
Conviver Bem	21	22	43	219	886	
Conectados	28	21	49	968	1376	
Grupo de Mães	16	0	16	486	255	
Grupo de Homens	0	35	35	200	163	
Grupo de Zumba	23	0	23	5	634	
Quintandeiras	8	0	81	0	0	
AcesSuas Trabalho	23	0	23	0	163	
Familias CCNP	673	5	81	0	338	
Total	253	156	650	10829	12486	

### Orange house institutional hosting service

Orange House is held in partnership with the Rio Vermelho Municipality and aims to welcome children from 0 to 11 years old. It has the capacity to accommodate 10 children, in exceptionality, adolescents. Orange House aims to transform the reality of the family members' lives through guidelines and psychological and social accompaniment, together with the network of care and special social protection team. Thus, knowing the reality of families and enabling the return of children and adolescents to the home of origin, as long as relatives prove that they have restored the ability to care for infants is one of the greatest challenges of the service.

### Family action

protection and prevention of maltreatment

The purpose of the action is to strengthen the family in its preventive and protective function, providing space and support to improve the quality of life, access and orientation to the social rights. The work is carried out through workshops with groups of mothers, community meetings to discuss collective causes, etc.

# Rights advocacy and assistance

In 2018, more than 47 BEM actors participated in the systematic meetings of the local councils, representation at the Municipal Social Welfare Conferences and the Conference of Children and Adolescents, 6 marches to raise awareness of the fight the sexual exploitation and child labor of children and adolescents. There was also participation in sensitization meetings for community work and training in Community Development, training of community leaders among other actions with related sectoral policies. Performance in National and International Social Networks, such as Hand Hands Network, RENAS (National Evangelical Network of Social Assistance), CLAVES Brazil and Brazilian Bible Society. BEM also provides assistance to adolescents in conflict with the law, welcoming people to fulfill alternative sentences. Planning, participation and execution of Awareness Campaigns for social agendas that meet the demands of each municipality.

### Food and nutrition security

nourishment

Adequate food is a fundamental human right, consisting of regular and permanent access to sufficient quality food for health promotion. As a result, BEM offers, through the organic production from farms, the donation of vegetables and fruits to Sabinópolis Creches and Kids Fellowship Center as well as to Euxenita and Marterlândia projects in the districts.





### VEM fellowship center

widow in mission

Area of promotion and socialization of elderly women (widows, debilitat- ed and alone) through socio-cultural activities, aiming at the reintegration into social life and strengthening of spirituality to improve the quality of life. This work is carried out in the Coexistence Centers located in Belo Horizonte and Sabinópolis with the capacity to attend up to 100 participants. Among the frequent actions: manual handicrafts, devotions, physiotherapy, psychotherapy, senior group dance and other activities. The realization of monthly meetings, annual meetings, exchange, camping, Christmas party and permanent bazaar were activities relevant to the achievement of the objectives.



### Conference center

bereia conference center

Ranch structure for sports and leisure events, training, socialization, camps, congresses, meetings of groups connected to BEM. The facility is also opened to churches, municipal governments, social projects and schools. It serves both to the population of Sabinópolis and region. In 2018, it received a total of 3947people in 57events.





# Agriculture production

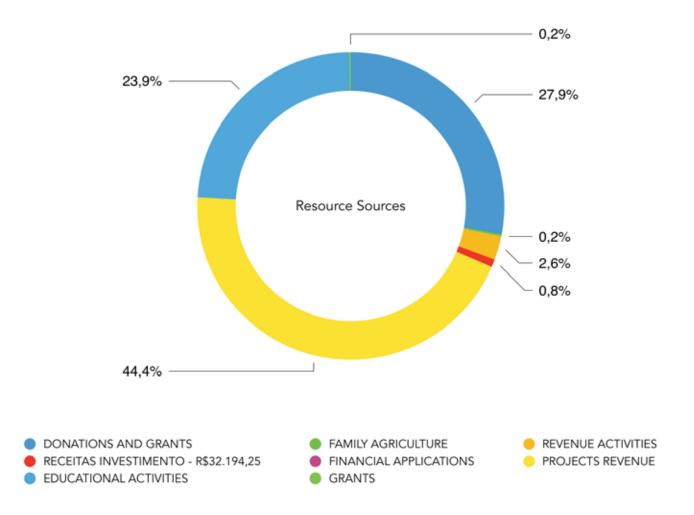
BEM agriculture production

BEM produces vegetables and fruits in the in the following fields: Bethel, Bereia and Belem farms in Sabinópolis, besides Beersheba in the district of Euxenita - Sabinópolis. The action aims to generate maintenance of the feeding of general care projects such as Creche, in addition to resources from sales of surplus. It is a strategy for the generation of resources to carry out activities for collective and communitarian purposes.

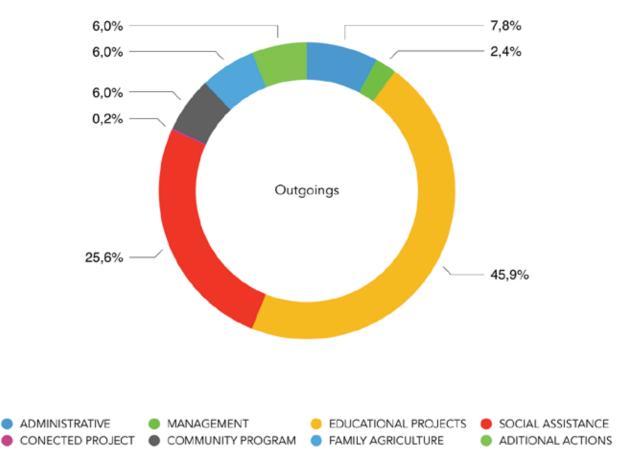
## Family agriculture

Family Agriculture Program is relevant due the production of organic food and income generation for the participants. The program aims at family subsistence and improving the quality of life of the community. By selling the surplus farmers' families have access to quality food as they access extra income.

# Revenues BEM 2018



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### **Partners**

BEM has partners in the process of designing and execution social projects. Highlighted:

### Rede Mãos Dadas worldwide prayer effort - june of 2018

"Faithfull from generation to generation" that was the theme of the 23rd Prayer Campaign for all the vulnerable Children & Teenagers. Community Centers, Day Care, Orange House Shelter received publicizing material sent by Mãos Dadas (Holding Hands) Network and have promoted the campaign in its projects. The following activities were part of the campaign: bible study with social educators, prayer in groups with children & Teenagers. Children making their prayer request, team games, movie record. Some of the requests that have been highlighted were: alcoholic parents, neglected moms who have abandoned the family, desire of be back to the parents' home. At about 1.300 people took part of the Prayer campaign over children and Teenagers.

# 4a Campaing my christian social educator 2018

The theme was "Who do you belong to?". Each and every team work has achieved a week of activities about this theme. It was interesting to see them to think about "ideas" of belonging. That was an opportunity of honor how meaningful they are in each kid` lives, besides its importance as cooperator to the kingdom. There were afternoon activities at BEM social projects about this theme.

At about 90 social educators took part of this campaign. In their words that was a time of renewing and self-steam promotion and awareness of how they can quench their thirst and satisfy children's and teenagers' who participate at BEM projects as well.

# Brazilian bible society

Brazilian Bible Society provide Christian literature, such as Bibles, children's books, and community library books were distributed to BEM's projects in 2018. The donations totaled 515 books. In addition, BEM participated in training offered by the Brazilian Bible Society to partner entities. For the public served by BEM, the materials have been important to strengthen ethical and Christian values. As well as it has contributed to the reduction of violence.

### Thank you

### Partners and colaborators

We end 2018 and we can say that nothing is impossible for the One who sustains us.

What about 2019? During this year, we will make known to Him all that is too difficult for us, whether in our organizational life or in the lives of people who are in need of BEM support. You who supported and donated to the cause of BEM, our THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

### Cooperators

Without you all this work really would not have been possible in 2018. Thank you for believing in the work of BEM, for having faced and won the challenges and stayed with us! You are an essential part for us to continue the work. Thank you!



### Join us!

### How?

You can boost the work which has already been developed, participating as a sponsor of BEM's actions and projects through a donation by bank transfer, credit card. That turns you into a Friend of BEM. Join us!







### Titles and registers

#### **FEDERAL REGITERS**

Social Assistance National Council No. 256.284/74
Social Assistance Certificate of Beneficent Entity - CEBAS-MEC No. 208.530/75 Social Assistance
Certificate of Beneficent Entity - CEBAS-MEC No. 672/2011
Federal Public Utility – Law No. 89.057 de 24/11/1983

#### STATE REGISTERS

State Public Utility of Minas Gerais – Law No. 6.692 de 26/11/1975 State Public Utility of Bahia – Law No. 8.121 de 15/01/2002

### **MUNICIPAL REGISTERS**

Municipal Public Utility of Sabinópolis/MG – Law No. 737/77 de 30/05/1977 Municipal Public Utility of Materlândia/MG – Law No. 439 de 15/10/1999 Municipal Public Utility of Rio Vermelho/MG – Law No. 775 de 07/04/1997 Municipal Public Utility of Carmésia/MG – Law No. 323 de 06/06/1994 Municipal Public Utility of Paulistas/MG – Law No. 764 de 25/05/2008

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