

David & Babi Ingram



David and Babi have served together as partners with Northside since 1988 in Fortaleza, Brazil, a metropolitan area of almost 3 million people. Northside has been involved with the mission efforts in Fortaleza since 1985, having sent the Ken and Liz Lewis family to join a work already in progress. The Lewises remained in Fortaleza until 1992. More than a dozen congregations and several house churches have been established in the region because of the efforts of this work which began in 1981 with an original team of five families.

David has Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Abilene Christian University and serves through preaching, teaching and leadership training. David speaks at many brotherhood functions and often translates for visiting speakers. In 2006 he was chosen to serve as one of the shepherds of the Central congregation, but also is involved in helping several other congregations in the region through preaching and teaching. David also writes, preparing evangelistic studies, adult Bible school material, and for several years has written daily Bible devotions for the churches. David is the coordinator of the recently-established Fortaleza nucleus of the EBNESR Bible training school, based in Recife, Brazil. Babi is a school teacher by profession and presently works as coordinator of the children's ministry and with the ladies' ministry. Together they work with the family ministry and through the years have had a passion for helping couples. Babi is a native Brazilian and David is a native Texan. They met in Sao Paulo, married in 1986, and have two wonderful daughters, Rebeca and Rachel, both born in Fortaleza, both international citizens. Rebeca is a student at Abilene Christian University, and Rachel plans to follow soon.