

ACCTS in Action: **Brazilians Learn New Military Ministry Techniques**

An ACCTS event opened doors for expanded military ministry opportunities in Brazil,

thanks to the enthusiasm of the eight Brazilian participants and ACCTS staff members Andy and Grace MacLean, who led the Interaction-Rocky Mountain High

(I-RMH) program. The first part of the July program included meetings between the Brazilian team and Officers' Christian Fellowship (OCF) members based in Fort Carson, Colorado. The group discussed Christian unity, apologetics, and the importance of healthy leadership.



The second part of I-RMH took place at OCF's mountain retreat center, Spring Canyon, where the Brazilians joined U.S. military cadets and experienced team-building activities such as

white-water rafting, rappelling, and a three-day climb of a mountain that is over 14,000 feet above sea level. They also participated in a leadership course and devotionals, with times of prayer and mutual encouragement.

The goal of this I-RMH program was to help the Brazilian military Christians gain tools to create a similar program in Brazil and possibly other locations in South America. "On our final evening together, we conducted a meeting to discuss the way ahead on this project," Andy and Grace conclude. "This project could serve as a catalyst to build greater unity between the Christians in the military police with the Christians in the army, navy, and air force... Additionally, a group of us former U.S. military officers have agreed to visit them again in Brazil in February 2023 with the goal of facilitating integration with the Brazilian military and supporting them with this project. Finally, we tentatively agreed to hold the first Brazilian RMH in Brazil in January of 2024."