Half of the Divine Principle has been translated to Portuguese

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Things are moving along here in Portugal. Not as fast as I would like, but each day something different happens. There are many people who have heard, especially students, but it will take more time for them to realize deeply what they have heard. Two women are going to help me and contribute to the foundation of restoration of Portugal. We meet regularly to study and discuss Principle. So I will leave a foundation in Coimbra before leaving for Lisbon in the middle of August to start a center there.

At this time, there are many tourists from all over Europe visiting Portugal. The other day three girls from Ireland came to hear Principle. Also, there are many students from other countries studying at the University of Coimbra this summer and I have already met and spoken to some. Yesterday I met two girls from New York who had heard the Principle; in fact, one had heard it at Belvedere. She gave me the new Divine Principle book. But she is too individualistic to see the treasure she has been

offered.

I am selling flowers door to door, carnations, and they sell very well. Yesterday, I came in touch with a community while selling flowers, which is Methodist and Presbyterian. They are trying to unite Protestants and Catholics. Their director, Rev. Cunha, invited me to come and speak to the group about our movement, which I did. I taught them some of Principle. They are very prepared to hear it and invited me back to hear more.

The two women want to start a candle-making project to raise money. I mentioned our candle factory and selling in America, and they right away offered to start one in Portugal too. One of the women lives in Lisbon, and she offered her house as a center there until I find one.

I have half of the Divine Principle book translated and in the print shop, and soon I will be able to send in the other parts.