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Not hungry! If one of your children were frequently not hungry at dinnertime, would you be concerned? Well, that's what happened to one family while serving as missionaries in Brazil.

Rick had just turned three, and often at mealtime he would not have much appetite. This puzzled his parents for some time, until one day his mother happened to mention this to some of the neighbor ladies in her apartment building. Comparing notes, they discovered that Rick had been going around to the other apartments during the day mooching food! He would go up to a door and knock, and holding up three fingers, he would say something like this: "Mrs. So-and-so, I'm so hungry! May I please have three cookies [or three bananas, or three of whatever]?" No wonder he wasn't hungry at mealtime!

So, the expression "three cookies" (or "tres bolachas" in Portuguese) became a family joke.

One reason why some people don't come to church is that they are not hungry. Ellen White speaks of them, "[They] are feeding on husks and will remain spiritual dwarfs as long as they gratify Satan. . . These persons forget the words of Christ: 'Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you'" (1T 500).

Whatever we are feeding on that dulls our spiritual appetite must go. Please give to NAD Evangelism today so we can help people find Christ and feed on solid spiritual food.