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Together with FOR (Foundation for Oral Rehabilitation), MALO CLINIC continues to change lives and distribute happiness, offering a new smile to people like Carla and João, who since a very young age suffered from serious dental problems which, together with other difficulties, prevented them from smiling for many years. Learn more about their stories...

Carla Almeida, 40 years old, has two children and a complicated life story. She lost both her mother and father when she was very young and the lack of oral hygiene care, coupled with few possessions, led to her having started to suffer from dental problems very early. She was even hospitalized due to extremely painful abscesses. At age 19, when she became a mother for the first time, she was already wearing a removable dental prosthesis. She looked at herself in the mirror and avoided looking at her mouth. She felt complexed, though she tried not to show it. She knows she should have given more attention to oral hygiene and she now tries to pass that message on to her children. When she learned MALO CLINIC was going to give her back her smile she had tears of joy running through her face. She says now she will "smile for everyone and give more kisses"; she is happy to be able to eat foods she has not eaten in a long time and to be able to see herself in the mirror "without wanting to cry".

João is 44 years old. Unbearable pain and abscesses are part of his childhood memories. From a very early age he had to deal with the shame and the prejudiced looks that were directed at him due to the appearance of his mouth, so he isolated himself and felt alone. He went to the dentist for the first time when he was 12 and he was advised to use a dental appliance but his parents could not afford it. From the age of 18 he saw his dental condition worsen, also because of his smoking habits. He began to loose his teeth gradually and he even pulled some teeth with his own hand. He admits he never gave much importance to oral hygiene and regrets that. Moreover, has always been a glutton when it comes to sugary foods. Now he feels like "a new man" and believes that he will be "seen differently." He says he was treated very well at MALO CLINIC, "one of the best clinics in the world," according to him.

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