



Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Matthew 5:16

April 2024

Dear Precious Supporters and Friends,

Support Level



We are happy to announce that we have reached 100% of our support level! We are thrilled that the Lord has allowed us to reach it by April 2024! We had initially set our date to finish deputation by August of this year. However, the Lord opened doors even sooner than we expected in our deputation ministry. We reached our planned support level in one year and eight months. If you have not partnered with us yet and are still consider partnering financially, we plan to use any extra support to be invested in the church-planting ministry: to pay for material, rent or building expenses, salaries for national pastors, among other needs.

The desire of our hearts was to leave for Brazil this month of April. We are still waiting for Aline’s documentation to be approved for us to travel. I talked to the immigration lawyer who is helping us, and he said that it could be approved any day now to a few months. We have also requested a “petition to travel”; if approved, we could leave the country while her case is being reviewed. We even tried to request an “advanced parole” to visit her 93-year-old grandmother, who is on palliative care (and would allow us to stay in Brazil for longer). However, the immigration services would not grant emergency leave for that. We were disappointed that they did not grant permission to travel yet but understand that God is in control! One verse we have been reflecting on these days is Proverbs 16:9 – “A man’s heart deviseth his way: but the Lord directeth his steps.” We must trust that He will open this door in His perfect time! Our hearts are aching to return to Brazil, and other than this documentation we are waiting on, we are ready to go and have packed most of our things. We even had our farewell/commissioning service at our home church, the Knoxville Baptist Tabernacle, this last Sunday. Please continue praying with us about this – that we may be allowed to leave as soon as possible!

We have been very busy these last couple months – we were in conferences and meetings in IN, NJ, OH, NC, SC and VA. Praise the Lord, we were able to see souls saved during these visits! We had seven children come forward to get saved in our last meetings in chapel and junior church. Also, in one of the conferences in Indiana, a man came forward to get saved at the end of the service. He told the assistant pastor that the songs that we sang as a family special touched his heart and he wanted to get saved. We were so happy God used us to speak to this man’s heart. He even emailed me thanking us and letting us know he got saved! We received word that he got baptized a couple of weeks ago. We consider it a privilege to be used by the Lord as ambassadors for world missions and a witness to others!

We only have one more conference booked in the state of Georgia. After that, we will be a part of a couple of missions Sundays in churches in Kentucky and Rhode Island. We did explain that if we receive word that Aline’s documentation was approved, we would not be able to be a part of the last meetings and would be leaving for the field. We plan to stay busy serving the Lord here until we leave for Brazil! We have been researching about some Brazilian communities here and plan to visit them to make contact with and witness to Brazilians living in the USA.

Please continue praying with us about Aline’s immigration process! We have received so many messages of pastors and precious brothers and sisters in Christ saying they are praying for us and for Aline’s permission to travel! As soon as we have any update on this, we will let you know as soon as possible!

Thank you so very much for your faithfulness in support and prayers! We consider it a great privilege to be partnered with you as your missionaries to represent you in Brazil!

We love you and always thank the Lord for you!

In Christian love,

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