





My name is Morgan Dickens, and I am an associate missionary with World Wide New Testament Baptist Missions in the country of Brazil. My parents Joel and Cynthia Dickens have been working in Brazil for 18 years starting churches in the Northeastern part of the country, and I was raised here on the mission field. My sending church is Roanoke Island Baptist Church, located in Manteo, NC, and pastored by Pastor Scott Baxley.

I believed I was saved at about four years old during a children's class in a church in the United States; however, I began to have doubts as I became an adolescent. When I was about 13 years old, I admitted what I already knew my whole life, that I am a sinner and cannot save myself. I repented and put my faith in Jesus's sacrifice for my sins to save me.

Currently, God has allowed me to serve in a couple of ministries in the church my dad started in the city of Belo Jardim. I teach a junior church class of children between ages three and twelve. God has given me a voice to praise Him in our choir, and I play acoustic guitar in our services. God has also allowed me to preach a few times in the church here, and I have learned soul-winning. Recently, I have started a YouTube channel with my name, dedicated to sharing short devotional ideas God gives me. I am fully dedicated to using any talents I have in God's service.

The seminary I am currently studying in is a Brazilian Bible college called Instituto Batista Bíblica da Bahia(Baptist Bible Institute of Bahia). I am graduating this year with a bachelor's degree in theology. This Bible institute is directed by the current pastor of a church which follows the same Baptist faith and doctrine which I follow. In2018, I visited the church this Bible Institute is affiliated with, for the church's 50-year anniversary conference. During that conference, God called me to full-time ministry. This is my reason for studying in this Bible institute and dedicating my talents to God's service.

The Lord has blessed me with an opportunity for an associate missionary project of two years working with another American missionary here in Brazil. Bro. James Nash, who

has over 50 years of ministry experience, has started planning a ministry training center...

Ø to train young Brazilian seminary students who feel called to full-time ministry

Ø to complement the seminary already existing in this region

He has asked me to move to the city of Petrolina and help him with this project and with planting churches there. This city is one of the fastest growing cities in the Northeastern part of Brazil, with a population of about355,000 people; however, aside from a congregation started by a Brazilian national missionary, it has no independent fundamental Baptist church.

With my church's approval, my desire is to work with Bro. Nash for two years, helping to build this training center, and learning more about full-time ministry outside of my parents' home. During my internship with him, Bro. Nash will be teaching me how to plant churches, write booklets on theological topics, initiate Christian radio ministries, read the Bible in its original languages, and prepare material to teach in the seminary.

I am partnering with the same missions agency my parents work with, World Wide New Testament Baptist Missions. Through their associate missionary program, I will act as a short-term missionary here in Brazil, alongside Bro. Nash. My pastor and my church fully support my desire and have approved of this plan, so, prayerfully, I am reaching out to churches for support as an associate missionary in Brazil for two years.

Should you have any questions for me, I can be contacted

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Ø via direct message on Instagram (@morganedickens) or Facebook

I will be glad to hear back from you and answer your questions. If you would like to access my mission board's info page about me, this link will take you to it: <u>https://wwntbm.com/connect/missionaries/morgan-dickens/</u>

Below is a video with more info about me and the ministry God has called me to.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TLuxpdW5I-Q

Respectfully,

Morgan Edward Dickens