Dear Praying Friends,

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What a blessing these past two months have been! God has given us a full schedule of meetings and has provided us with new support raising us to almost forty percent of the needed amount. We have been blessed beyond measure as we have seen God provide over and over again. We are told in the Scriptures of the simplicity that is in Christ. How thankful we are that we can just simply study God's Word, learn of His instruction, and then trust in the victory that Christ has already given. It is only when we shift our trust from Christ and begin trying to figure things out ourselves that we run into trouble. These months of deputation have been good for us in many different ways, and we are thankful for the many lessons learned thus far along the way. We are thankful for God's timing as well. About a week ago, we were staying in a motel in Groton, Connecticut. We arrived a day early and had planned on taking the kids to a children's museum. Early that morning we all loaded up in the van to leave, but it would not start. We had it towed to a mechanic, and even though there were about twenty cars in the parking lot, we were able to get it repaired by that evening. If it had been just one day later or one day earlier we would have either had to get a rental or cancel some meetings. God also had provided the money for this repair the week before. What peace it brings to know that God knows all things before they happen!

Since our last letter, we have been involved in numerous mission conferences and have been blessed to meet and fellowship with many other missionaries. It has also been a joy for Jeremy to have the privilege to preach in several Christian school chapels and encourage the students to serve the LORD with their lives. The more we travel, the more our eyes our opened to the need to plant churches right here in our own country. In our August prayer letter we wrote of the need we saw in the Midwest, but now our eyes have been opened to the need up in New England. There are multitudes up here and not more than a handful of good churches to reach them with the Gospel. We pray that God would send forth many more laborers into His harvest field.

We ask that you continue praying for us as we travel to raise our needed support. The amount of support raised has been steadily increasing, and we still have our goal to leave for Brazil in the summer of 2009. Please pray that God would bring us to those churches that He would have to partner with us financially in our effort to reach Brazil. We long to be there as soon as possible. Thank you to all of you who have prayed and sacrificed financially on our behalf!

With Grateful Hearts,

Jeremy and Esther Lockhart