# The Lockhart Family

#### MISSIONARIES TO BRAZIL July/August 2009

# **Our Baby Boy Has Arrived**



Judah Michael Lockhart was born into this world on August 14th. We are praising the Lord for His grace for Esther through this time. She has recovered quite well and was even at church with the baby less than two days after the birth! We ask that you pray for wisdom and diligence as we train our new son to serve the Lord.



### **Support Increase**

Although we have not had many meetings throughout these summer months, the Lord has seen fit to increase our support. We are now at 81% of our support level and are encouraged by the goodness of God! Please continue in your prayers that God would continue this steady increase of support. We will be in several mission conferences and meetings in the coming months and will be traveling several thousand miles. We would ask that you pray for God's strength and grace as we travel as a family and endeavor to raise our kids while living in the car and other people's homes!

### Its Visa Time

We have two appointments scheduled in Atlanta with the Brazilian consulate. The first appointment will be on September 30th with the legalization department. A large stack of documents must be legalized by them before they are fit to be used in the actual application process. On October 2nd we have an appointment with the visa department. Every missionary we have talked with has had a different experience during this process. Some have been issued visas very quickly, and for others it has taken



months of waiting. Others have been denied visas. Would you please make this a serious matter of prayer? We are asking that the Lord gives us favor, and that our visas are issued without problems. We are busy now trying to gather all of the many documents they require. They will send these documents to the immigration department in Brazil before issuing the visas. When they are issued, we must be in the country within 90 days or they will be invalid. Our plans at this point are to be in Brazil this coming January. We will keep you posted on the progress!

# **Outfit and Passage Needs**

Along with our plans to move to Brazil in January come many needs. We will not be shipping a container to Brazil, and will have to purchase many things once we arrive. We will take several extra pieces of luggage with our clothes, a few books, and other basic necessities, but will need to purchase a refrigerator, stove, washer, beds/mattresses, and kitchen table. These things easily cost three times what they do here in the States. Along with the visa fees and airline tickets these will constitute quite a large sum. We are thankful that the Lord has already provided a great portion of this as we have saved many of our love offerings throughout our travels and some have given specifically toward this! If your church would like to help with the remainder of this need, just include a note so our mission agency will know that it is designated for outfit and passage. There is much work to be done and many things that must be set in order before our departure. Please pray that God would help us to be efficient with our time these next few months. We are grateful to our Lord for His provision and to each of your for your faithful prayers and support!

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