# The Lockhart Family

MISSIONARIES TO BRAZIL January 2010

#### **Deputation Complete**

On December 6, 2009 we completed our last deputation meeting in Ocala, FL. After starting out a year and eleven months previous with 0% of our support actually coming in, it is exciting to look back and see all that the LORD has done to provide our needs and bring in the needed support! What a joy it has been to rehearse the many things God has taught us and the ways He has used us along the way! Thank you to those pastors who gave us a meeting and allowed us the opportunity to present our burden for Brazil in your church. We learned from each church and gained many prayer warriors! Please pray that God would fill us "with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding," that we "might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; Strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power..." These requests found in Colossians are our desire as we begin this next phase of our lives and ministry.

### **Visas Have Arrived**

On December 31st, just before the new year, we received all of our visas in the mail! Praise the Lord! After three months of waiting and praying they have finally been approved. Even after all the fees, traveling, and paperwork to get them, they are still only good for one year! While in Brazil we have to keep reapplying each year for another one year extension. After two or three years of this we should be able to apply for a permanent residency visa. Recently, we also learned that within 30 days of our arrival in Brazil we have to register with the Department of Federal Police and go through another paperwork process in order to receive an ID card. Please pray that everything goes well with this process as well.

## **One Way Tickets Purchased**

One way tickets have been purchased for our departure on March 3, 2010. We have been rushing to get everything packed and all of our "stuff" narrowed down to about 15 pieces of baggage. We are not shipping a container so will only take what we can on the plane. Please pray for wisdom to bring the right things and leave behind those unneeded items! Would you begin praying now that God would give us easy clearance through customs with all of our baggage. We really do not desire to have all of our luggage opened and fees placed on our belongings.

Since we do not have any appliances or beds in our home, Jeremy, along with his dad, will be taking a trip to Brazil January 25th through February 4th to do a little work on the house and purchase beds, a stove, washer, and a few other items to make things more suitable for the arrival of the family in March. Please pray that God would give us good deals on these items, and that much would be accomplished on this short trip.

## **Prayer Requests:**

- · Wisdom for all the final plans and decisions.
- Healing for Esther and Allie.
- A Fruitful trip for Jeremy and his dad.
- Easy clearance through customs.
- Promises of support to be fulfilled.



Thank you all for your faithful prayers and support! -- Jeremy and Esther Lockhart

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