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MINION
MISSIONARIES TO BRAZIL

Greetings!

December 2023

In the summer of 2008, the Lord called me to serve Him as a missionary, and He has wisely directed my path over the last 15 years. The Lord made it clear to us that He wants us to serve Him in Brazil. My family now stands at the threshold of the next step in this journey: deputation. We are excited to see how God will guide and expand His work as we begin deputation.

We have seen the Lord bless in a number of ways during this transitional time. Our home church voted to be our sending church. The application to our mission board was completed and accepted. With a whirlwind, we began deputation, taking part in four missions conferences in September and October. Two churches have committed their support at this point! Our pastor is graciously allowing us to take several meetings while I'm still serving on staff until the end of January 2024.

The highlight of the last few months was our survey trip in October when we spent three weeks in Brazil. Our burden for the people was deepened as we talked with unbelievers and veteran missionaries; our heart touched by the growing faith of young believers; our

eyes affected by the sight of city after city without a church that preaches simple faith in Christ for salvation. The Lord gave a clear sense of confirmation that He wants us to serve Him there. We also visited a language school that I believe will help me learn Portuguese during our first year on the field.

We are so grateful for each one of you who have prayed and expressed your support! We expect God to do great things because He is a great God and He has great love for the people of Brazil!

Love,
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PRAISES:

- Provision for time-off and expenses of the survey trip.
- Two churches have partnered with us.

PRAYERS:

- Open doors to schedule meetings.
- A smooth process for our home church as I transition out of the assistant pastor role.
- The Lord to use us in the ministry of deputation.