

JOEL & NOEL SMOTHERS missionaries to BELO JARDIM, BRAZIL

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Dear Prayer Partners,

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Luke 2:11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. How great it is to know Christ as our Savior and to serve Him in missions. We are looking forward to spending our first Christmas married here in North Carolina. We hope all of you will have a wonderful Christmas with family and friends.

RECENT EVENTS

These past two months have been very busy for us with many miles on the road. We had a mission conference in Spotsylvania, Va. in early October and drove from there to Kentucky where we were able to spend a couple days and visit the Ark Encounter having been given tickets earlier this year. The end of October began a long trip for us starting off in Kinston, NC. where we updated a supporting church. From there we made our way to Belmont, Ma. for a weekend conference stopping first in D.C. for a couple nights with one of Noel's aunts. We then flew from Logan airport to Charlotte and drove to Columbia, SC. for a conference Monday through Wednesday night; we flew back to Logan and drove down to Taunton, Ma. for another weekend conference. After three conferences in nine days, it was nice to spend a week in York, Pa. to catch our breath. We went from there to West Virginia where we had two meetings on Sunday, November 19 and were able to drive home and spend the night in our own home. Monday morning, we left to head to Florida to spend Thanksgiving with Joel's parents. We returned home the first of December and it has been nice to relax just a little bit for the holiday time.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

We only have one meeting in December this Sunday the 17th in Calhoun, Ga. As I mentioned earlier we will be spending Christmas and New Years here in Kings Mountain. We start next year's meetings in Maryland on the 21st of January followed by a weekend conference in Virginia. Please pray that the Lord will lead us to the right meetings in 2018 and that we will reach full support. We have been notified of two more supporting churches bringing us to just over 47 percent. We praise the Lord for this further provision to reach the field!

NEWS FROM THE FIELD

Many praises from the field! First, two more have come to Christ last month! Second, they have finalized the purchase of the property! Third, they were organized as a church on October 8 and have been given a tax ID number! Please continue to pray for the new converts that Satan would not discourage them and that they would grow in Christ. Also, pray for the church as they progress forward and continue to be established. Pray for wisdom as they begin construction on a new building.

Praises:

Good meetings & safety
New support
Property purchased

Prayer Requests:

Next year's schedule
New Converts
Construction

Yours for the souls of Brazil, Joel and Noel Smothers.





