

PLEASE PRAY FOR

JOEL & NOEL
SMOTHERS
missionaries to
BELO JARDIM, BRAZIL

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Dear Prayer Partners,

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First, let me apologize for the lateness of this update. I had planned on writing it in early November and got started on it and was never able to finish while traveling much of the month.

Philippians 4:19 "But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." What a wonderful promise we have from God that He will always provide for our needs. We are thankful for the many churches that He has used to meet our needs. We are excited to have four more supporting churches bringing us to 75.36% of our needed support.

RECENT EVENTS

In the last few months we have been in meetings in Tennessee, Virginia, North Carolina, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Georgia. WHEW! That covered almost 10,000 miles of driving! We have been blessed with making many new friends and are thankful for safety over the many miles on the road, as well as an infant who has proven himself to be a good traveler. Throughout October we made some weekend trips to present the ministry and had a missions conference near our home in Shelby, NC. We headed out on November 2nd for a long trip of meetings and to spend Thanksgiving with Joel's family in Florida. We were able to be in several new churches to present the ministry and visit some of our supporting churches along the way. The first week of December we were with a church plant in Louisiana to take part in their missions Sunday as well as the ordination ceremony of their new pastor. We arrived back home in North Carolina on December 10th to a white wonderland of snow.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

For the rest of December, we will be at home in North Carolina. We have a missions conference the second week of January in Fort Pierce, Florida, and will be in Milton at our sending church later that month. Please pray that we would see our remaining needed support come in soon and be able to schedule any needed meetings in the future.

PREPARING FOR THE FIELD

On our way through Atlanta last month we were able to have an appointment with the Brazilian consulate. We had a good conversation with the agent but unfortunately Joel and Gabriel will not be able to enter the country under Noel's residency and therefore will have to complete the ministry visa process. The Lord knows our need of getting this accomplished and we are confident that He will see us through it. Please pray as we gather the necessary documents and submit them that there would not be any complications.

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

Prayer Praises:

New support
Good meetings
Time with family

Prayer Requests:

Remaining support needed
Visa process
Future meetings



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