

THE SMOTHOTS FAMILY

CHURCH PLANTING IN BELO JARDIM AND PESOUEIRA, BRAZIL

Dear Prayer Partners,

July 3, 2019

1Thessalonians 5:24 Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it. It is hard to believe that this year is already half over. We are excited that God is faithful as He has promised to be in getting us to the field He has called us to. We are currently at 92% of our needed support and are trusting God to bring in the remaining support soon. We have bought our tickets and will be departing for the field on October 10th!!!

RECENT EVENTS

We had a wonderful time in Florida with Joel's family celebrating Mother's Day with them. The missions conference in Tennessee was a great blessing with Bro. John O'Malley preaching as well as four other World Wide missionary families in attendance. Our meeting at the consulate went extremely well and our visas were approved in only 3 days!! This was totally unexpected and we thank everyone who prayed on our behalf. Our last meeting was May 19th and we had a blessed time with the people of Westside Baptist Church in Spartanburg, SC, who also took us on for regular support. We also enjoyed our annual family week with our mission agency and getting to meet some of the new missionaries that have recently joined. There was great preaching and good fellowship with old and new friends.

PREPARING FOR THE FIELD

As mentioned above our visas have been approved and we have set our departure date for October 10th. Joel will be going down on his own September 16th – October 3rd to try to get housing and other things set up for our move down. Please be in prayer that he will be able to find the right house for us to live in and begin our ministry there. We have been going through all our belongings and packing as much as we can. It's amazing just how much stuff we can accumulate!

FAMILY

We are all doing well and Gabe has begun crawling and pulling himself up to his feet using anything he can reach. Nothing on the floor is safe! These next couple of months we will be spending time with Joel's family in Florida and Noel's family in South Carolina. While Joel is in Brazil, Noel and Gabe will stay with Joel's parents in Florida so Grandpa and Grandma will be able to spend some quality time with Gabe before we depart for the field.

Prayer Praises:

Visas approved New Support Tickets purchased

Prayer Requests:

Packing details Remaining support needed House and other needs in Brazil Yours for the souls of Brazil. Joel, Noel, and Gabriel Smothers