



Ed Johnson & Family

Second-generation Missionaries To Brazil



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Dear Praying Friends,

Matthew 9:37 – 38 “Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.”

The longer I am here in Brazil the more real this verse becomes to me. Every missionary work I have visited during my two years here has been in need of helpers; every missionary has told us about their need for co-laborers, every city has so much work that needs to be done. If I had 100 lives to give to the city of São Paulo alone the harvest would still be, oh, so plenteous!

We have labored in this city for two years while working with my brother, Bryan. God has given us many blessings, joys, tears, souls saved and friends. This past year I have been overseeing the work while Bryan was on furlough. Now that he has returned we will begin a new phase in our ministry. With a sad heart for the people, work and the harvest field we leave behind, but with a heart full of joy and expectation about the people, work and harvest field ahead of us we will be relocating to the city of Londrina, Parana. Londrina is approximately six hours southwest of São Paulo. We will be working at Templo Batista Maranata under the leadership of Pr. Manoel for the remainder of our term. The church is about four years old and was started by Pr. Romulo, one of my dad's preacher boys.

Please pray for the transition. It will be very difficult to leave the people we have given our lives to and grown so fond of in São Paulo. While there in Londrina we will be visiting several cities and praying about God's direction on where He would have us start a church following our first term. Pray with us that God would give us the wisdom and direction in making this decision.

Recently our van was stolen from in front of our house. In a city of more than 28 million, after a car is stolen it is extremely difficult to get it back in one piece. Vehicles are very expensive here and we had no way of replacing the van. We prayed and asked others to pray concerning this matter. One day and a half after it was stolen the police called and informed us that they had found the vehicle. I drove to the police station to retrieve the vehicle not knowing whether it would be intact or not. Incredibly it was all in one piece and in perfect working condition. Praise the Lord!



We have two people in our church who work for the public transportation system. After announcing that the church would be going downtown for soul winning, one of those two asked if we would like to use a mini-bus from the company instead of going by metro. Taken by surprise I said that we would love to. A man from our church drove the bus as we took sixteen people downtown soul winning. We had a great time with some street preaching, singing, passing out over 2500 tracts and soul winning.

Thanks for your love, prayers and support.

His for souls,
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