

The Lockhart Family

MISSIONARIES TO BRAZIL

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Dear Praying Friends,

These past couple of months have been a whirlwind of activity here in Brazil. We have finished helping our co-workers, Omar and Tracy Schrock, get settled, and both of our families are in language school. Jeremy has had several opportunities to translate for Omar Schrock and a college student, Daniel Bishop, who did an internship with the Duarte family during the summer. He is enjoying getting to use his Portuguese more and more each day.

During the month of May, our family had the opportunity to help out at Maranatha Baptist Camp, which is located about 45 minutes from where we live. Jeremy taught a junior boys class that week, and was able to help two boys who were struggling with assurance of their salvation that week. How thankful we are that salvation is based not on how we feel, or on a prayer we pray, but on the finished work of Jesus Christ! Esther assisted in a junior girls class, and the whole family just enjoyed the time of fellowship with the believers from the area churches.

A couple of weeks ago, the church with which we are involved had Vacation Bible School. We were able to help out some with this. Jeremy was in charge of the songs, and Esther and Jeremy helped out on one of the teams. It is always a joy to work with the kids here, as the vast majority have no Christian influence in their homes. They are all starving for attention and are in need of someone to love them. It was a very exciting week for our kids, as all they could talk about each day was Vacation Bible School. The girls kept up with the Brazilian kids in the memory verses and singing. It's so neat to see them learning Portuguese as well.

Esther's health is still continuing to improve, for which we thank God daily! After 129 days, the last ulcer on her legs has finally closed up. There is still healing to do, but the weekly doctor visits have finally come to an end. Please continue to pray for her, as ulcerative colitis is known for relapses when you least expect it. Also, it is a possibility that the disease that caused the ulcers could return at any time. Her health is better now than it has been for two years. Praise the LORD!

There are many things planned for this coming month that promise to keep us busy. Jeremy has been asked by a couple of teenage boys to disciple them. He is very excited about this opportunity. Pray that the boys will keep their zeal and desire to learn. Also, Jeremy has been asked to preach during the month of September, and he will be teaching a Sunday school class for the next six weeks. Esther still continues to improve in Portuguese as well, and is studying hard each day. We would appreciate your prayers as we continue learning and practicing our language skills.

Thank you for your faithful prayers and support. God is good, and we thank Him for the privilege to serve Him here in Brazil.

Gratefully,
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