

# LOCKHART FAMILY

## Missionaries to Brazil

Dear Praying Friends,

**Baby Levi Is Here.** Thank you to all those who have prayed for Esther during her pregnancy! God gave us a healthy baby boy, Levi Bryan Lockhart, born on August 14! He was born on Judah's birthday - what a special present! We are re-adjusting to life with a newborn and praying for grace and wisdom as we train him and teach him the fear of God.

**Visa and Departure.** Many have been praying that we would be able to get Levi a visa in a timely manner! Please continue! The birth certificate did come through in just four days. This allowed us to apply for an expedited passport when he was five days old. Jeremy has already made one trip to the Brazilian consulate in Washington D.C., and, as soon as the passport arrives, he plans to make another to get it "authenticated" by the Brazilian government. Once the passport and other documents they require are "authenticated" we can make one more trip to D.C. to apply for his permanent visa. Please pray that they will accept the application and approve it plenty of time before our departure on October 29th.



**Preparations and Material Needs for Brazil.** Many prayers have been prayed as we face many unknowns in the months ahead. Upon our return to Brazil, we plan to move farther south to a city called Rondonópolis to begin a new work. We have been looking as best as possible for a home there and have found very few options for renting. We are praying for a house to buy that is large enough to hold Bible studies. Also, we need the funds for its purchase. It is difficult (not impossible) to get a home loan from a Brazilian bank being that we are foreigners with very little credit there. On the other hand, American banks aren't interested in unsecured loans large enough for a house purchase. Would you pray that God would provide a way for us to secure a loan. Also, would your church consider helping us with the added expenses moving and getting a home set up in Rondonópolis?

**Spiritual Needs for Brazil.** As you all know, our furlough has been longer than originally expected due to Esther's pregnancy and Levi's birth. We have had very little practice with our Portuguese during this time, yet we hope to jump right to work teaching and preaching when we return. Please pray that the language we studied so hard to learn will come back to us quickly! Also, much more than a house or material needs, we need to see God move in a spiritual way. We have no desire to return to Brazil just to buy a house and live. If that is all we wanted, we would much rather stay here! We want to preach Christ and see Him save Brazilians and transform their lives as they learn to follow Him! However, the work of salvation is supernatural, and we are asking God for four specific requests:

1. That He would open the Spiritual understanding of Brazilians that they may be saved
2. That He would give us men who desire to be followers of Christ that we may teach them and show them how to follow Christ
3. That He would protect our family, spiritually and physically, from the fiery darts of the wicked one
4. That He would save our children and enable us to train them to follow Christ

As always, a huge thank you for your faithful prayers and financial support!

Gratefully,

Jeremy and Esther Lockhart

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*Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think... Eph. 3:20*



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