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## Goals:

Winning Souls Planting Churches Discipling Believers Training Leaders

## Birthdays:

James 09-07-1968 Soraia 07-16-1970 Matthew 01-03-1990 Priscilla 10-13-1993 Stephanie 09-26-2005 Frank 10-18-2007

Anniversary 07-16-1988



PO Box 519 Braselton, GA 30517 706.654.2818 www.mwbm.org Dear Supporters and Prayer Partners,

I begin by congratulating our oldest son Matthew and his beautiful bride Jessica! It was a sweet and precious moment as we watched them say their wedding vows to each other at approximately 11:30am, in the city of Joinville, on January 29, 2020. Then that evening at 7:25, Soraia, Stephanie, Frank and I boarded the first of three planes that would take us to the USA! We arrived in Atlanta, GA on January 30 to begin our furlough. Our plan was to spend as much time as we could with my father during the month of February before starting our travels and reporting to our supporting partners. With that, we began to schedule meetings beginning the last week of February and thereafter, praying for God to fill our calender acording to His will.

After several wonderful meetings, while we where in Cheasapeack VA with the Hickocks, our dear friends and fellow missionaries to Brazil, we heard President Trump declare a "state of emergancy" in our country due to the new coronavirus known as "Covid-19." I must say, this is not the way we planned on spending our furlough, but "...we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose." (Romans 8:28).

During this time we have been "sheltering in place" in our home town of Monroe, GA. Our scheduled meettings for the last weeks of March through the end of June, were all either cancelled or postoned. Planned family gatherings and events were also cancelled. For the most part, we have not been able to travel, and most churches have not been able to have on site services, so we have worshipped together with our Home Church pastor, virtualy, online. It has been interesting to say the least.

We are thankful that we have been given opportunities to give testimonies and preach online in English and have continued to share written and recorded messages and testimonies in Portuguese to groups in Brazil as well.

In May, we celebrated the "virtual" graduation of our daughter Priscilla and her fiancé Kevin, from Pensacola Christian College. The actual "on campus" and "in person" graduation has been resceduled for August 29 of this year. Two weeks before that, on August 8, Priscilla and Kevin will be joined together in holy matrimony. The ceremony will be held at the Bible Baptist Church in Monroe, GA.

To our Dear Supporting Pastors; If you would like for us to come to your church for a ministry update, you can reach us by phone: (404) 851-7957, or email: jamesallen@mwbm.org . We plan on returning to Brazil possibly by the end of January, 2021.

Thank you for your faithful finacial and prayerful support of our family and ministry to the precious people of Joinville, Brazil.

James & Soraia Allen

Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me; **Romans I 5:30**