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And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?... He said,...



## July~August 2020

Greetings from Joinville, Brazil,

After six or seven years of praying earnestly and asking—believing! God has granted our daughter and son-in-law, Pastor Jonathan and Rebecca Smith, their first baby. "The desire of their hearts," and ours (Ps. 37:4). Hallelujah! Our first grandson, Samuel Elliott Smith, was born, already a "little man," at 9 pounds 6 ounces, and 22 inches long. He truly is a miracle from the "Father of lights" (Js. 1:17). Every so often throughout the years, we've asked prayer that God would grant them a child. And we want to thank you all for joining us in this request. And we look forward to the day when we can see him in person, and hold him in our arms. If he's not too heavy at the time, yes?:)

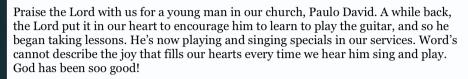




Our two granddaughters are growing all too quickly! Nora Grace is thoroughly enjoying her school and new friends. And "I'm the line leader!" She is quick to let us know! :) And Sadie Rose is sure to be found at the top of anything in the house that she can climb! Or inside the cupboards! Mommy is definitely ready for some couch-time at the end of the day with her! :)

Once again, our church folk went all out to celebrate our birthdays. Donna's in July and mine in August. And our anniversary too! Amen! Thank you all for the cards and birthday wishes. And there was even some extra birthday spending money! Praise the Lord! Thank you all so much! We are so grateful to God for His blessings upon us through your prayers and thoughts on our behalf.

Please be praying with us for our people. The hate that this world's god has for the Lord's work and his people is continually evident and fierce! It's always a blessing to share God's blessings. But, as you can imagine. God's work is never without opposition! "Sanballat" and his cohorts are still among us. And "Goliath" too (metaphorically speaking).







Please pray for a man named Aluízio. Back in the wake of the COVID pandemic, Aluízio lost his job, which brought him to Joinville. Being acquainted with a distant relative of one of our men at our church, he got in touch with us and asked for help. We're grateful God allowed us to help, with warm clothes, food, and a few household necessities; he had nothing! But more importantly. We shared the gospel with him. He visited us at church once, where he heard the gospel preached again. But he continues holding on to his religion: "I have my religion!" He said. Our heart's desire is that Aluízio "come to repentance" (2Pe. 3:9), and be saved.

Thank you all for your faithfulness. Your personal sacrifices and faithful prayers on our behalf, stimulates our "get-up-and-go!"

Scott and Donna Allen and Elizabeth Joinville, Brazil