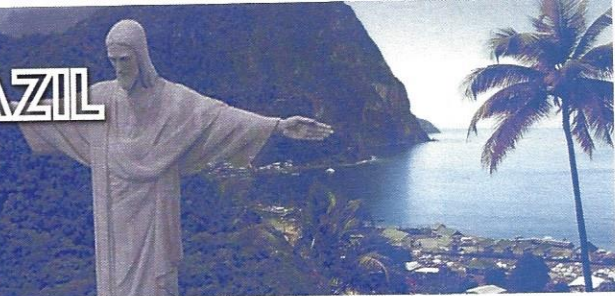


# THE SMITHS IN BRAZIL

Robert & Cathy

*And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry;*

1 Tim 1:12



**Merry Christmas**

**Happy New Year**

**October – December 2022**

Dear Pastor and church family:

Greetings to you from the Smith family. We have just returned from a three-month trip to Brazil. We are so sorry to be late with this letter. Many places we had trouble with internet, and the rest is my forgetting to get one out. The Lord has blessed us greatly, and we praise His name.

We traveled to the works of three of our missionaries. We visited **Brother James Allen and Soraia and family in Joinville, Santa Catarina**, and preached in the church there. We traveled also to **Garanta do Norte, Mato Grosso**, to visit **Brother Steven and Kelly Dolittle** and preach in his work. Then we came down 11 hours of bus ride to **Novo Mutum, Mato Grosso**, to visit **Alex and Jessica Lima with their family** and preach in their church. All are doing a great job for missions and preaching His word. Please pray for these men and their families as they labor for the Lord. We flew down to Joinville; and later flew up to Sinop, where we started our visits in that region. Then we rode with Brother Dolittle for three hours to his town. God was good in all our travelling. Now we have to get all the bills paid. Most was done by faith, and He always supplies our needs.

We participated in a wedding of our adopted grandson, Elias Firmino, and now his wife, Diemily, in September. It was a joyful time to see them get married. His granddad was our assistant, till he passed at 42 years of age with a heart attack in 1996. His dad has been with us since he was 5 years old, and pastors the second church in our city of Franca.

The churches are doing well, and souls are being saved. Our men are still preaching His word and holding to Biblical separation. God is blessing their efforts to stay faithful to His calling. Please pray for them as they continue to fight the devil and the forces of hell itself.

We hope you had a great Thanksgiving and moving on toward the holiday of Christmas, celebrating the birth of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Thank God, He came and went from a manger to the cross, to save us from our sins.

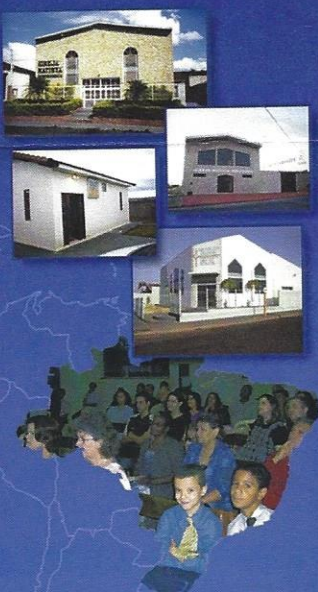
This year has flown by so fast, and 2023 is fast approaching. I believe His coming is very soon, and we need to stay busy. Pray for us that we will stay faithful in the fight. **Thank you for your faithful support in monies and especially your prayers. We love you all.**

In His service,

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**Our Goals**  
- Establish churches  
- Instruct believers  
- Edify Christ

**Birthdays**  
Robert 6-23-52  
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**Anniversary**  
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