

# 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*



**MARCH – MAY 2024**

## DEAR PASTOR AND CO-LABORERS:

Let me apologize for being late with this letter. Time is moving so fast I did not realize that I was behind in writing it. We have been busy a good bit of the time and some sickness the other part of the time. My doctor is adjusting my meds to get my blood pressure up as it has been low. Pray they can get it where it needs to be.

Time has really flown by. We are not going to Brazil this year because our first church will celebrate 40 years in January of 2025. It seems a few years ago we started the church, and now it's celebrating 40 years. Pastor Paulo Castelan has been the pastor for thirty years now and is doing a great job. I am looking forward to being there for this memorable event. We will also be preaching in several of the other churches during this time. Pray God will use us to be a blessing and encouragement to the churches. Our pastor and some others are wanting to go. HALLELUJAH!

Our son, Jonathan, is on the deputation trail raising support as the new South American Director. You, our supporting churches, have known him his whole life. I ask you to consider him for support as he has been faithful to the Lord in his calling and would like to get full time to better help the missionaries and the mission. He has proven himself faithful and has not wavered in his walk with God. He is nearing 20% and could use a big boost in support. Please consider taking him and his family on for support. Thank you.

Pastor Paulo, of the first church, is needing some **monthly support for the camp** that we have on the field. We have about five camps a year, one being a military camp, another a youth congress, that my pastor preached last year, several other camps during the year, and a monthly youth meeting where all our churches participate. There is much upkeep and building going on. He just doubled the kitchen size and built eight new dormitories and all the trimmings. If you would like to help, send it to the mission for us and mark it **Camp Ministries**. They will know what to do with it.

Also, it looks right now we will be going back to Brazil in July of next year for six months. Missionary Alex Lima will be coming to the states for a short furlough. He has only 40% or so needed support. We will be taking care of his work while he is here. He started a church five years ago and is doing a great job. Pray for him and his support level.

**THANK YOU** for your faithfulness each month in prayers and monies. We need both to get the job done. We are about 80% of our support level. If any churches could raise our support, it would be a blessing. Some have even doubled our support, and that has helped a great deal. Some have supported us for \$25 since 1977, and we praise God for it. Help us pray for this need. 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

6-13-71

