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Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for praying for us this past quarter. God has yet proven Himself faithful again. Thank you to those who minded God. Through our home church, three other churches, and some "padded handshakes" from individuals, God has provided all the funds for our family to acquire passports, travel e-Visas, and airplane tickets. We have everything in place and our departure date is July 22nd. Dr. Caudill and Mrs. Cassie will also be making this trip to Brazil with us. We will arrive in São Paulo Thursday morning and then make a 6-hour bus trip to the city of Franca where I grew up. I know God will provide whatever funds we need while in Brazil (motel, rental car, etc.).

Pray for us as Dad and I will be translating for Dr. Caudill that weekend. Our daughter Katie and the Caudill's will be returning July 29th. I will stay an extra week with Heather and the boys. I will also be preaching at a couple of churches while there. One of the highlights of the trip is the privilege to preach at a youth meeting at Camp Areté on August 1st. Many churches attend this meeting, so pray that the Lord will use me in a special way that night. I am looking forward to preaching to the young people in Portuguese! I've been asked to preach on their theme for the meeting: "Spiritual & Emotional Maturity."

As some of you know, I resigned my position with the State of South Carolina/District 7 at the end of May. God has been faithful in meeting our needs every week! I will continue to work "on the side" to supplement my income until we have enough monthly support for our personal needs. Please pray that God will provide 10-15 more churches to support us monthly. This will complete our personal support, then I can focus on the ministry portion. God has provided two new churches on my last statement. One church took us on, and we haven't even visited them yet. I'm thankful for the confidence and hope to visit them soon.

I am looking forward to what God has in store going forward in our Reach South America team. Please help me pray as I would love to visit the Muscotts in Guyana before the end of the year. I also need to travel to the northern and southern parts of Brazil soon. There is much work to do with our missionary families and national pastors. The Lord let me cross paths with someone that will help us visit and start praying/planning for future opportunities in Suriname. As always, pray for laborers for the harvest. There is much to do, but we need people to get the work done. Thank you again for your support and prayers.

"In His Grip"

Bro. Jonathan Smith
Isaiah 41:13

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