

Light for Brazil



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Like Clockwork

Often it seems that our timetable is not God's. Sometimes it is, and it feels just like clockwork. Until now, our experience in missions had been the feeling of clockwork; everything was going according to our plans. We've been told that things never go according to plans for those living in another country, and that we must be flexible. Well, we are getting our first taste of this reality. Our target date for being on the field was this week, but for several reasons, we will need to be flexible and leave a few weeks later than our target date. Here are the few things that remain before we will be able to leave for Brazil.

For one thing, we still need to raise a small amount of monthly support. We have a couple of families who have committed to supporting us without having told us yet as to the specific amount, but without those in our calculations we already have 86.5% of our needs, leaving just 13.5% still to raise. We thank God for all of you our faithful supporters and we are almost there!

Another remaining obstacle is scheduling someone to help us get settled into a safe place to live in Belém. Our plans were to take Tim Brumfield with us in May, but because we must push back the date we will now have to work around Tim's existing schedule. In June, Tim will be taking a group of SIBI students to Brazil for a survey trip (like we did in 2009), and so he will be unavailable to help us until the end of June. For us, this means that we are now targeting mid to late June so that we can make the most of our time with Tim. This could also give us the added blessing of leaving at a time very close to our teammates, which will be a great help and blessing to both of our families.

When other missionaries told us that no one makes it on their target date we said "we believe you." But secretly we thought we would be the exception. Well, we aren't. Life does not always go according to our plans, and we don't ask you to pray for that. Instead we ask you to pray that God will strengthen us through any obstacles we face to refine our faith in Him to provide for His mission.



Please join us in prayer:

Strong faith and patience

Continued open Doors

Nick's Visa

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