

NEWS FROM THE BRUMFIELD FAMILY

March 2010

"LORD... all that we have accomplished, you have done it for us!" (Isaiah 26:12)

We hope all is going well with y'all. God is so good to us here in Lubbock. Our family is doing great. In our last report we told about losing \$1000 a month support in December. Our AWESOME GOD has brought forth a wonderful family (pictured here) to assume that support starting this month. Brent Stewart is the owner of the All-State Fence & Supply Company, the largest fence company in West Texas, Permian Basin area and the Texas Panhandle (www.allstate-fence.com). Many of you know Ted Stewart, a former Sunset Instructor and also a former missionary to Brazil. Brent is the son of Ted and Dot Stewart. Join us in thanking God for this family and their love for the Kingdom and the lost.



We have just finished our 3rd Term here at SIBI and are now on our "Spring Break". It rained and snowed on Monday and is expected to do the same this weekend. This is my busiest term every year but also very rewarding. One of the most challenging parts is going out on door-knocking campaigns with the students. Joe Brock asked us to come knock doors in the neighborhood (also called "The Hood") of the Central Lubbock church of Christ. The Devil wants us to think this kind of evangelism is unfruitful or maybe even counterproductive. It is not. Bible studies are going on because of it. Students who have gone say it has changed their perspective of "evangelism" altogether.

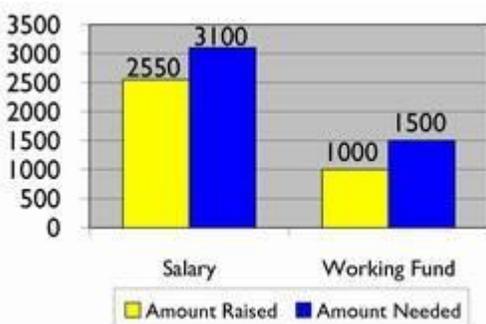


I always wonder what is best to say at someone's door. What seemed to work best this time was, "Hello, I'm sorry if I've interrupted something you are doing. I'm looking for someone who needs God in their life. Could that be you or maybe someone of this house?" One lady said, "Yes, I need to get back to God". Now we have a study with her and her 40 year old son and now with her brother too. One man said "That's great. I already have God in my life." We visited with him for an

hour and he is very open to study. We are having some good visits and studies. I also get to teach in the Lubbock County Jail every week and some of the inmates are amazingly open to the Gospel. Last week one of the SIBI students got to go with me and I asked him to teach. He absolutely loved it and said, "I've never taught a Bible study that was so deeply rewarding before." One inmate, who has been baptized by one of the students, now hopes to come to SIBI when he gets out in about 13 months.

Evangelism is not easy. I guess it was never meant to be. It was not easy for Paul. He suffered and lost his life over it as did Peter, James, Steven, John the Baptizer and even Jesus. Of course we want evangelism to be as nonthreatening as possible but a loving call to repentance is necessary. **We must do the best we can to "speak the truth in love", but speak the truth, we must! If the Good News of Jesus is not told, the lost will continue lost. If disciples of Jesus are not made, no one will be saved. If a loving call to repentance is not made, the lost will continue on their path to hell. If those who become disciples of Jesus are not baptized, they will not receive an entrance into Christ, forgiveness of their sins and the Spirit of God to live in them, giving them life! We must charge into the hopelessness and rescue the perishing from the clutches of Satan! God has commissioned us to go into the pit of despair to tell every soul about the unfathomable awesomeness of the almighty god and the love of his son Jesus, which is beyond imagination!!!** (Ephesians 3:8-21, 1 Peter 2:9)

The Belem, Brazil mission team is now in its last steps before departing for the mission field. That means that our son-in-law, daughter and grandson (the family pictured on the right) are about to move away. Their target departure date is May 3rd. Please pray that they will be able to raise the remainder of their support and pray that their visas will be approved in time for their departure.



The graph shows the Kings' monthly support raising status. They have also raised about half of their one-time moving needs and need about 13000. I am also planning to leave for Brazil on May 9 to help this team get things set up. **There are a total of 20 students hoping to go on the summer Brazil mission trip in June.** These students plan to meet



me in Belem (June 5-6), then spend a few days surveying the great city of São Luis, Brazil (June 7-12), then we plan to do a campaign in Salvador (June 13-20 – some students plan to return to the USA on the 17th) and last we plan to do a campaign and camp session in Aracajú, Brazil (June 21-28) and arrive in Lubbock on June 29th.

Airline Tickets (target price)	\$1300
Food - \$11 per day 24 days	264
Ground Transportation (bus and taxi)	220
Required Travel insurance	60
Hotel Grao Pará - Belem - 3 days	80
Skina Hotel - São Luis - 5 days	180
Pousada Manga Rosa - Salvador - 9 days	241
Hotel Terra do Sol - Aracajú - 7 days	198
Advertizing and campaign expenses	120
Miscellaneous (Laundry, souvenirs, ...)	120
Total expected costs (based on double occupancy)	\$2783

Here are the estimated costs for students 24 days (present exchange rate around US\$1 to BR\$1.75 Brazilian Reais) Funds will be needed for airfare by early April and advertizing and campaign money will be needed by May 1st.

Brothers, I am asking for your support for this trip for me and also if possible, to

help some of the students. As many of you already know, these foreign mission trips change many people's lives. SIBI students are required to do one foreign campaign in order to graduate. Yes, it is expensive and no, it is not a joy trip or vacation. As a result of these trips, there are now two missionary families in the city of Aracajú and hundreds of lost have been rescued. Also, the Belem Mission Team is about to begin their work in that city of over 2 million souls. Brothers, wouldn't it be great if a new mission team developed out of this trip for the city of São Luis, a city of 1.3 million souls (some of them are pictured here)?



Some of you may be wondering what is the purpose and value of a survey trip. That would be a good question for Joshua and Caleb. They just called it a "spy out the land" trip. Some of the things we do in the cities we survey is: receptivity evaluation, religious evaluation, find out what it would be like to move and live there, check out medical care, living options, shopping, eating, get a map and learn the city, where is it safer and more dangerous, what would it cost to live there, and most of all, could my (students) family live there and would this be a place for a fruitful mission work? We also try to go to strategic locations and have a time of prayer for that city and for someone to go there to harvest the ripe souls. Would you like to go to? Maybe it's time!

I have another concern to share with you. Would it be right to support a single woman on a mission field? You remember Cline Paden. He started SIBI and because of his vision and endurance, spokesmen for God have multiplied and thousands are now going to heaven. What is the difference if a faithful Christian woman goes with a mission team to some country and teaches women and children? Is she not, in the same way, training and multiplying spokesmen of the Gospel? The difference is only that they teach women and children. What percentage of the population are women and children? I know firsthand that my sweet wife worked tirelessly teaching women and children in Salvador, Brazil for 12 ½ years and many of them are now Gospel preachers and wives of evangelists. Another thing that should be considered is that most missionary families home school their children. Therefore more help is needed to share the load of the women with a mission.

If God has blessed you, please help us. Funds for this mission trip can be sent to SIBI 3723 – 34th St., Lubbock, TX 79410. Please include a note saying "Tim Brumfield-For Brazil Mission Trip". Please brothers, pray that we will all be able to find the necessary funds for these foreign campaigns and surveys and pray also that the students will be able to get their passports and visas in time to go. [Thank you so much for your kind and sacrificial support for our work.](#) May our Father in Heaven pour His favorite blessings on you all richly,

Tim Brumfield and family :}))

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