

MISSIONAL LOVE

"you have given me the shield of your salvation, and your right hand supported me, your gentleness made me great."

Psalms 18:35

Hopefully Waiting

Pictured below is from a quick backpacking trip we took as a family to Max Patch, NC. This is the sunrise. Our chairs watching God's endless work is a great representation of where our family and many of you are in this moment. How long will we be in this uncertainty? Where will we be a year from now? We will never understand all of the Lord's thoughts or His works. Our role is to wait hopefully and trust



that He uses everything for Good in the lives of those who love the Lord.

And we know that in all things God works for good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Romans 8:28

In early September, we had a sweet visit from Dahiana, our recent intern with us in Brazil. What a precious reminder of the relationships built through serving together! (pictured below).



Arrival in the States

Our family of 4 temporarily evacuated Brazil and arrived in the states in Mid May, we tested positive for COVID 2 days later, and had a slow and slightly troublesome recovery for several weeks. The declining economic health and the lack of resources in local hospitals were a deep concern for our children to endure. Many of you prayed for, encouraged, and financially helped us. THANK YOU. The decision to evacuate was not easy, but we know the Lord has us in South Carolina at this time, and for a reason!



After much prayer, we have decided to commit to remain in the states until the summer of 2021. To this day, Brazil remains closed to Americans coming in. Our son, Grady, needs extra attention and resources for school and to help his reading abilities. Our daughter, Avery, will be challenging herself to participate in cross country and basketball while here, we see this is a great opportunity to build her character (and endurance!). We are committing this year to resting, preparing, studying, and investing in some intentional time with our children. Lindsey is studying a biblical counseling program from Southeastern Theological Seminary and Tim is studying new agricultural opportunities for a sustainable farm at the Davis Lar. Together, we are in a counseling lead debriefing program until December. The cost is \$200 a month and we would be grateful if anyone can help us cover that cost. We have both been able to work part time jobs to help cover the cost of living in the States and managing our home and pets in Brazil. We are continually thankful for your giving as we are continuing to do ministry from this side of the equator. Together, we will be working with ACTION Brazil to create educational material to help long term missionaries best receive and lead the short term interns that come to serve. We will be also focusing on re evaluating our ministry focus points and virtually working with the locals in our Brazilian community in this process. Our support has dropped a little, but we remain thankful to each of you that has faithfully been supporting us in the ministry. So much is up in the air, some days have grief creeping in, but we know we have abundant life in Jesus and that we have the Holy Spirit with us no matter what region of the world we are in.

God is our refuge and strength, a helper who is always found in times of trouble.

Psalms 46:1



Impactful interns

3 days prior to our evacuation, Dahiana and Emely had to shorten their 6 month internship and leave early. These ladies came separately, but were roommates. We had the privilege of leading them to serve the Davis Lar and the surrounding community through the local church plant. They focused on several areas at the Lar:

- Money management classes
- English classes
- Discipleship, bible lessons
- Art classes, fitness classes, and teaching gardening skills.

Pictured above is the day they flew out together, they built relationships and planted seeds in our community of Araças. Thankyou Dahiana and Emely!

Covid has been a great challenge for every single one of you. We continue to pray for you and hope that you remain holding onto Christ as your Anchor of Hope. Please email us if you have specific prayer needs or any questions.

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Our website/blog has been updated and more material will be added! Please take a look:

www.missionallove.com

A few specifics we would like to ask you to pray about:

1. The visa renewal process, we need to renew our Brazil visas prior to returning.
2. Us personally as we have begun a counselor-lead debriefing process to help us “rest” better in this season. And our children as they have struggled with re-entering.
3. For the community of Araças, the church there, and the Davis Lar. Please pray for the people there Shepherding the church and spreading the hope of the Gospel in the community.



In early September, we had the joy of spending a weekend backpacking with Chris and Ashley Irvin in Idaho. We have been virtually communicating with them over a year and we were excited to physically meet them! The Irvin's feel God's call to Brazil, but didn't know exactly where. They began orientation with ACTION in late September and will begin fundraising and preparing! They will come serve right beside us in

Araças for at least 2 years as they learn the culture, the language, and submerge in cross-cultural full time ministry. And we are thrilled! Chris will work with Tim on creating a sustainable farm and Ashley will focus on logistic coordinator for the many teams that come in to help us each year. Please pray for them as they take on fundraising and preparing.

While here, we have had great time to reflect on the past 2 years in Brazil, it almost moves us to tears as we think about how God has used you to help our family serve. It has been an AMAZING journey for us!



Lindsey helps José read scripture



Avery loves on an 8 month old at the Lar that lived with us.



Tim gives food baskets that many of you purchased.

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