



# The Lawson Family

Adventure of Faith – March

**Dear Pastor Adam Summers & Faith Baptist Church,**

**Having now been in Brazil ten months,** we are still trying to get acclimated to the culture, which may take us many years. Our language teacher is now giving a daily dictation test in our classes. This is very difficult for us, but so was the Portuguese alphabet and phonics when we first started learning the language (**which now seems very easy**).

We have given out numerous gospel tracts and invited many people to church in January and February. During this time we were very excited to see a man that we had invited, visit the church. **He sat with our family and I shared my Portuguese Bible with him during the services.**

It is already time to renew our immigration paperwork for our visas. In January, the Federal Police gave us all the necessary paperwork for the renewal and the processing fee, which we had to pay at the bank. On February 26, the officers re-fingerprinted us and processed our documents, but told us we had paid the wrong processing fee. Keep in mind we needed to pay for a one year temporary visa and the paperwork the officers gave us was for the permanent residency visa. Unfortunately, here in Brazil, you rarely get your money back from any transaction. However, the officers did tell us to save the receipts and that we can use them next year when we apply for our permanent residency visas. That was a \$500 error on their part. **Please pray that we will be able to use these receipts for next year's applications, and also pray that this year's applications goes through smoothly without any problems or holdups.**

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Lastly, we have been praying about getting a van to use for the ministry. For larger vehicles Brazil requires a commercial driver's license, but there is one van, a **Volkswagen Kombi, that can legally seat nine and can be driven with a regular license.** Some of you would recognize it as the old "hippie" van from the 70's ("Dude, it's far out!"), but it has continued to be built in Brazil through 2013. We are prayerfully looking for a vehicle and believe that we can purchase this van for about three to four thousand dollars. **Pray that the Lord would direct our steps concerning the purchase for the right vehicle.**

**Turning the World Upside Down – Acts 17:6**  
**Brian & Jessica Lawson**  
**Ray, Ruth, Charity, Samuel, Jahaziel, and Rose**



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