



The Lawson Family

Adventure of Faith – July 2018

We arrived back in the United States in the beginning of June. Even though there were many uncertainties, **thankfully, we did not encounter serious issues while leaving Brazil.** The economy seems to have stabilized, although we are waiting to see the results of this year's election. Many people have questioned why is Brazil having so many problems and protesting. The answer is not easily given, but I will try to give you an idea of the complications. The current president is under investigation for corruption. He became the president after the previous president was investigated and impeached for corruption. The previous and popular president before these two presidents was also investigated, convicted, and sent to prison this year for corruption. As I mentioned, this is an election year and the president that is currently in prison has attempted to run for president again, from prison. If he gets out of prison, by popularity, he would lead the polls. Pray for the country of Brazil, this year's election, and that **the Gospel will have free course to lead the people in righteousness.**

Leaving Brazil was the most difficult thing we have had to do as missionaries. While we had prepared to leave Brazil, our home, for a year's furlough, **we were not prepared to say good-bye** to those that we had invested in, taught the Word of God, and those that were saved and baptized. I never imagined that I would see sons and daughters in the faith expressing their love for our family with tear soaked eyes. This was an emotional time, but thankfully **there will be a joyous reunion in Heaven.** Please pray for the lives that we have ministered to that they will continue to grow in their faith.

Jahaziel was scheduled to be examined and undergo surgery immediately after our return and he is recovering well. Even though his leg had previously been amputated, he still needed to have a small portion of his bone removed and tissue & muscle reconstruction at the stump. Emotionally, the operation was not as difficult as the original amputation, but physically he had to experience it again. **Lord willing Jahaziel will have a prosthetic again by the middle of August.** It's been seven months since he has had a prosthetic, please pray that he can relearn quickly without the need of physical therapy.

Our oldest child, Ray, has been accepted to Tabernacle Baptist College and will be moving into the college dorms in August. **Ray will be greatly missed in our home, especially when we return to Brazil.** He has expressed interest in returning and serving the Lord in Brazil after college. Pray that Ray will mature as a young Christian man, will increase his knowledge of the Word of God, and that God will use his life.

In June and July we gave updates to churches in Michigan, South Carolina, Tennessee and to our Mission Board in Georgia. **We are still calling and scheduling to give updates about Brazil and our ministry.** If you would like for us to give an update please call or email us.

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