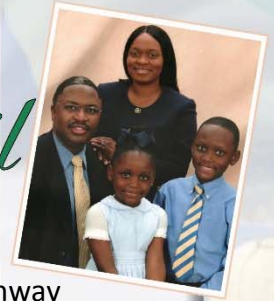


the Johnson's missionaries to *Brazil*

May 16, 2015



Mile Markers. We have seen many of them on the highway in the past several months. Most are barely even memorable, but each one useful in its own way. They signify where you are on that road, and how far you have left to go on that road. Since our last update we have passed an important mile marker. When we started deputation, God put the goal of 17 months on our hearts. Just a few weeks ago, we saw the half-way mile marker come and go. Eight and one-half months, sixty-three meetings, 45,000 miles, all in the rear-view mirror. It hardly seems possible when we stop to consider it. (If you need a little mathematical motivation, as I often do, 45,000 miles at seventy miles per hour equals about 26.5 straight days of drive time!) What cannot be so easily measured is the thousands of prayers that have been used to fill our spiritual gas tanks. Yet every day, every meeting, and every mile God has answered those prayers and seen us safely through.

We have just completed the busiest stretch that we will see while on deputation: thirteen missions conferences in sixteen weeks. During that time, many people have asked about the difficult parts of deputation. For me, hundreds of hours behind the wheel, lugging suitcases inside, outside, upstairs, downstairs, and finding quiet places to make phone calls. For Naomi, packing, re-packing, teaching, finding laundromats, washing, re-washing, and ironing. For Lincoln and Lauren, school in dozens of new locations each month, mile after mile staring out the window, making friends and then leaving them a few days later. Why? 1 Kings 8:60 says it best, "That all the people of the earth may know that the LORD is God, and that there is none else." That reason makes all of it worth the effort.

Please continue to pray for us. Our final push will be anything but down-hill. We still have an additional sixty meetings on our calendar for the rest of this year. There are also the preparations that need to be made to leave for the field as we approach the end of the year. Passports, visas, shots, paperwork, yard-sales, packing, and many other things all need to be done while maintaining a full schedule of meetings through the end of the year. We serve a mighty God!

Meetings

Meetings Set: 125

Meetings Held: 65

Praises

Reaching the 125 meeting goal.

Prayer Requests

More people surrender to missions.

Effective in witness while travelling.

Continued family growth.

Support Committed

70%

33 Weeks till 2016!

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