

# the Johnson's missionaries to *Brazil*

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One of the biggest concerns entering the winter with a jam-packed schedule is the winter weather. When you are crisscrossing the US from North to South and East to West, all you can do is:

1. Pray that meetings are not cancelled.
2. Pray that you can get to the meetings, if they are not cancelled.

God answered both of these prayers for us. Not one of our meetings were cancelled, and we were able to arrive safely and leave every single one. In what was a very bad winter for many of the states, God saw fit to bring us safely through it all.

It is always amazing to see a miracle, but it is even more amazing to experience one in progress. When we sent our last update, we were at 45% support, but we had gone four weeks without having a single church commit to take part in the ministry. That had been the longest stretch since beginning deputation in August and we could not help but wonder what God was trying to show us. Prayer time always gets a little longer and more fervent when there seems to be a roadblock, but I think that is the point. God sometimes wants to see, as one preacher said, "If we want to seek His face or just His hand." When our focus is right, God has no problem opening the doors again. Over the last five weeks God has opened the doors once again with nine new supporting churches, eight added meetings, and an additional 17% in support!

God has allowed us to meet and witness to some of the most interesting people as we travel. Sometimes we initiate conversation and sometimes others do. A few weeks ago, we were sitting in a restaurant talking to another missionary from Brazil. We were practicing a few words in Portuguese and a waiter walked up and said, "Are you practicing Portuguese?" He went on to say, "I am trying to teach myself Portuguese, why are you trying to learn it?" That was a green light from the Holy Spirit and I was able to briefly share the Gospel with him. While he did not receive Christ right then, God was definitely pouring water on that seed. Please continue to pray for souls to be saved and lives changed through the preaching and sharing of God's Word!

We owe so much to the people that God has used along the way. I always hesitate to mention names because so many people ask us not to mention what they have done and then for fear of not having space to mention everyone. But, we keep each one in a book that reminds us of God's faithfulness and even more importantly, God keeps track too.



## Schedule

*Eastern Hills  
Baptist, Iowa*

*Victory Baptist,  
Arkansas*

*Florence Baptist,  
South Carolina*

*Colonial Baptist,  
Virginia*

*Kendall Park  
Baptist, New Jersey*

*Valley Forge Baptist,  
Pennsylvania*

## Meetings

*Meetings Set: 115*

*Meetings Held: 58*

## Praises

*Safety in travelling  
over 40,000 miles in  
past 8 months*

*Tremendous family  
health*

*Continued progress  
towards the 125  
meeting goal.*

*People who have  
sacrificially given  
to and pray for us*

## Support Committed

**62%**

*39 Weeks till 2016!*

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