



Phillips' Forum



Chip, Laurie, Reed, Caleb, Alison

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A New Year Begins

Support Update

The Lord has continued to provide for our financial needs. Our support level is currently at 75%. We are learning to trust in the Lord more and more as we watch Him burden others with the medical ministry in Amazonas, Brazil. Lord willing, all of our support will be in for a Spring departure to Brazil.

Personnel Update

The Lord has also burdened new missionaries with a desire to reach the unsaved in Amazonas. In addition to our family, there are three others on Pre-field. The Kochs will be focusing on Brazilian leadership development and Church Planting, while the Holmes and Jeffries will be Church Planting through aviation.

In addition, a pharmacist and a physician, with their families, are interested in joining our team. Both are looking to attend candidate classes this summer. We are elated to see the Lord building a new team of workers to augment the work in His harvest field in Amazonas, Brazil.

Visa Application

We are still awaiting one paper from Brazil before we can submit our formal visa application. It apparently has been sent twice, but has not been able to make its way out of the warm tropics to chilly Philadelphia. The paper is being hand delivered to the United States and then will be mailed to us.

We are using our time to study Portuguese, continue raising support, get Chip's amateur radio license, and minister at New Life Baptist Church.



Health Update

The Lord has been very good. Alison's heart is doing great as it appears the "hole in her heart" has closed without medical treatment. She only needs one final visit to the heart specialist.

Caleb has had no further asthma attacks-- usually the cold weather makes asthma worse. Reed, Laurie, and Chip have been fine.

Goals for 1996

- ✓ Be speaking Portuguese when we get to Brazil.
- ✓ Arrive in Brazil by Spring/Summer & finish language school by end of 1996.
- ✓ Take Brazilian medical license exam next winter.
- ✓ Chip to obtain a General Class ham license.
- ✓ Chip to finish his last two independent study courses.
- ✓ Have full support and visa by this spring.

Praises from 1995

- ✓ Support at 75%.
- ✓ Good health for all.
- ✓ Safe traveling.
- ✓ A very flexible and enjoyable job for Chip.
- ✓ Chip's ordination.
- ✓ Laurie's sister, Amy, and Chip's sister, Cheryl, were both married.

Contentment

If you don't get what you want, think of what you don't get and don't want.