

Dear Prayer Partners,

February – March 2025

"Any church that is not seriously involved in helping fulfill the Great Commission has forfeited its biblical right to exist." – Oswald J. Smith

The Great Commission is the noblest work on the face of the earth. Even on the mission field, we must develop churches that are seriously involved in the Great Commission. We have prayed much about how the subject of missions should be approached in our church. Our desire is to place an emphasis on what is important to God.

Over the past few weeks four different missionaries have been through our church. In our auditorium, we have a board with six different missionaries displayed. We pray for these missionaries weekly in our services. Though we do not support each of them monthly, we send special offerings to all of them on occasion and try to keep our people informed about their ministries.

Through the past few weeks, we have been praying and planning. The church leadership has met several times and talked about how we can increase our giving and our involvement in missions. I believe God will be honored as we try to align our priorities with His priorities.

Doors of opportunity abound on every side. We have just started another Sunday School class for adolescents. We are seeking opportunities to work with the nearby Indian tribes on a more regular basis. Other churches need to be planted in the area. Please pray that God would give us wisdom as we seek to lead His church to do His will here in the city of Cacoal.

In April we will be going on furlough for around six months. We ask you to lift the Igreja Batista Bereiana (Berean Baptist Church) up in prayer. Pray for my father, missionary Garry Tyler, who will be caring for the church in our absence. Pray that the Lord would unite the people and give them one mind, the mind of Christ. Pray for safety as we travel many thousands of miles all across the country. We are already worn out just thinking about the travel.

Days and weeks are flying by as we approach our departure in April. We are trying to contact our supporting churches and have scheduled a good number of meetings. If we have not been in touch with you, but you would like for us to stop in and give a report, please let me know. Just call, text, or send me an email and I will reply as soon as possible.

There is one more prayer request that is on our hearts... our children. Josiah will be graduating from college. He has many decisions to make. He is seeking a job and direction for this summer. Judson also has finished high school and will be working a job all summer in preparation for college in the fall. Jonathan is finishing his sophomore year in college. Being a missionary kid is not always easy. They can't just go home for the summer, the weekend, or even for a few hours. Your prayers are much appreciated!

Reaching the World through Brazil,

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"And all things are of God, who ... hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself... and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation." **IICorinthians 5:18-19** 

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