



# THE DUARTES MISSIONARIES TO BRAZIL

Dear Prayer Partners,

January 15, 2025

We trust you all had a great start to the new year—2026. A longtime supporting church gave a special financial gift which enabled us to spend the last five weeks of 2025 in America. **What a refreshing time it was for us to visit our sending church, spend time with family and friends, rest, and have our hearts renewed before returning to Brazil on January 1st.**

**God graciously provided Pastor Taylor and his family to fill in while we were away.** We are thankful for their love for the Lord and their faithful service in the ministries here in Alta Floresta. They will be caring for our home and ministries from **March–May**, allowing us time to focus on raising more support. **Rejoice with us in this answer to prayer!**

**On October 29th, our entire family made a trip out to the 1st Tribe.** All the ladies and children there were so excited the girls and I had come this time! The Chief's mother graciously received us for morning coffee, later showing us the handmade jewelry she designs using nuts and seeds found in the jungle. We later led the kids' Bible Time where the children all enthusiastically sang and listened intently as Jed taught the Bible lesson. After the game time, we walked to the Chief's house where he served us lunch and we visited with him and his family. **We cherish the deep friendships we have cultivated with these dear people and are thankful to God for opening the door for us to bring His Word to them.** It was a full, long, tiring, day and yet, so very rewarding. A few weeks after this trip, Jed made another flight out to the 1st Tribe. **Six children trusted Jesus as their Savior. How beautiful to see Little Ones come to Him.**

After living in Brazil for nearly six years, our hearts have grown to emmensley love the people here. **We are learning to be both grateful for the opportunity to go to the US, while also missing those we leave behind. We fully embrace this next step the Lord has for us and are excited to see what God does in 2026!**

May Jesus Christ be praised and His name lifted high every day of life He grants us. Whether He has placed you in a small village along a river in the Amazon or in an urban city in America, as Christians **our purpose remains the same—to bring our Savior glory.**

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