



**STEPHEN & JENIFER**  
**MINION**  
 MISSIONARIES TO BRAZIL



Greetings from Brazil!

January 2026

• Praise the Lord, we made it safely to Brazil this week! We thank each of you for your prayers for our trip. The many texts and messages from you comforted and cheered us to know that you are praying for God's blessing. The Lord answered those prayers. I'll highlight just a few: we prayed specifically for handling our 21 pieces of checked luggage on the trip. When we unloaded in the USA airport, a man was waiting outside, and he pointed us to use a huge luggage cart that could fit half of our luggage in one trip. A kind United worker also tagged every piece of luggage for us. When arriving in Brazil, we asked a worker if there was anyone who could help us, and in a few minutes, three workers from the airline were pushing carts piled high with our boxes and bags. They took us the back way and cut several lines, even getting us through customs in seconds without any hangups! It was the smoothest trip that we've had yet.

• Another blessing is that our house in NC is officially under contract! We sense the Lord is answering your prayers in that as well.

• These next few weeks, we are settling into life here. The church where Stephen is attending language school graciously received us. The pastor's family is so helpful with contacts and recommendations and were such a blessing by picking us up from the airport and making a wonderful home-cooked meal the day we arrived. We praise the Lord for these believers here!

• Please pray for God's direction and wisdom to find the right vehicle and rental house and to receive our shipping container in 6-8 weeks.

• Thank you for your prayers and support for us! We're excited to see what the Lord will do in the days ahead.

*Love,*  
*The Minions*

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**PRAISES:**

- A smooth trip to Brazil.
- Not a piece of luggage missing or anything broken.
- A beautiful place to call home for a month till we find a rental house.

**PRAYERS:**

- Shipping container to be received without a problem.
- Selling of our house.
- Finding the right car and rental house.



We're thankful for our sending church's commission and sendoff this month.



All. the. luggage.



So glad to have made it to Brazil!  
And yes, the Portuguese spelling of country is Brasil.



We're so grateful that our friend Bethany could help us travel and during our first week here.



We left snow and 11° weather behind in the USA and arrived to a balmy 78°!  
This is the beautiful view of the city of Taubaté from our Airbnb porch.