

# The Smiths in Portugal

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**Furlough News** - Praise the Lord, our travel van is still going strong and turned 300,000 miles somewhere out in the desert of California. The last few months we've been back in the Texas, Oklahoma, and Missouri region. We've had the privilege of being part of some fantastic mission conferences where we saw such loving churches dedicated to getting the Gospel around the world. We've met many new friends and gotten to spend time with old friends. What a blessing!

We have one meeting left, then we'll be traveling up to Virginia with a few extra family members so we can all attend Bethany's college graduation! Then we'll all come back to Springfield, Missouri where we'll finish our packing and fly back to Portugal. How time flies when you're having fun!

**Portugal News** - The church in Portalegre is growing and taking on new responsibilities. March was Missions Month and everyone was invited to give a report on their home country. There were presentations on China, Venezuela, Brazil, France, Cuba, and Portugal. While the presentation was supposed to be about 20 minutes long, most of them went about an hour. Several members talked about how impacted they were hearing about the need for the gospel in each area. The month concluded with a Mexican missionary to Spain giving a challenge and an international dinner.

The last couple of weeks we've had the joy of hearing from two members about getting to lead others to the Lord. One was invited to a couple's home where they had invited their brother-in-law as well. All three came to Christ during that visit. Please pray for the Guzman family as they continue to meet with this family in Avis. Also, one of our ladies led an 81-yr-old man to the Lord who is in the last stages of cancer. What a joy to see the Lord working through the church members!

We are waiting to hear from the campground about whether they will be open for camp this summer. We would appreciate your prayers about this and for all of the details it will entail and that will have to be organized quickly if it becomes a possibility.

Thank you for your faithful prayers and support.

Your missionaries to Portugal,

Dan Smith and family

### Prayer Requests

- \* Furlough travels
- \* Bible study group in Beirã
- \* Salvation: Luis Barreto, Cheik, Tio José
- \* "Morals" class in the public schools
- \* Church Leadership classes
- \* Camp 2022 possibility
- \* Permanent location for the church to buy



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