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We apologize for the delay in this prayer letter. We regularly communicate with individuals in churches via the Tuesday Newsday, a more brief and less

formal weekly newsletter. If you would like to be added to that mailing list, please sign up on our website: www.moores2portugal.com/correspondence

October

We were blessed to be able to attend a missionary retreat in Spain and become acquainted with our new field representative and his wife. Thank you to our sending church for making that possible.

November

All of our submitted paperwork was finally accepted for us to set an appointment for the final piece of Valerie's citizenship card – our "marriage." We will be "married" on February 14th of this year – we didn't pick the date. After this appointment, we should finally be able to apply for Avery's citizenship, and she will be the last one. This will be important for us to have the freedom to leave the country for longer than 6 months without losing our visas for our 2020 furlough.

December

As is true for many of you, this paragraph could be a long one listing the many (too many) activities in December. Some highlights include our first ladies' meeting hosted here in Colinas, Owen



saying <u>Portuguese</u> lines in his preschool play, our school Christmas concert, and well-attended church carol sing.

We celebrated a quiet Christmas at home with our kids. A humble thank you to those churches who specifically sent them money along with those who sent special Christmas



offerings for our family. We were very blessed to purchase a new printer, after our 7-year-old printer has been a source of frustration for at least the past three years. We have had a new one picked out for some time, but did not have the funds to purchase it. Much to our surprise, it was an EXTRA 80 euros off due to a Black Friday sale the day we went to buy it. Yes, our Black Friday sales extended into December – they don't quite have the concept – but we won't complain!! Thank you also to those who sent us Christmas cards and pictures of your families, which we thoroughly enjoyed and appreciate.

Building Update

Are these getting old yet? We are thrilled that the final kitchen cabinet doors have FINALLY all arrived (they have been trickling in for months now). And for those who prayed for our electrical inspection to FINALLY happen and pass, it did! This will allow us to do more community outreach including English classes we will be beginning this month. Please pray for those contacts we will make through these classes. While it is not our favorite pastime, it has proven to be a way for us to meet people in a non-threatening situation, and give us a "pond to fish in" for sharing the gospel and adding people to the church. This is also a great way missions interns or "short-term missionaries" can get involved and have some on-thefield experience. If that sounds like something you would be interested in, please contact us.

God bless you in 2019!

Beau and Valerie Moore