



July/August 2009



### Hunters Complete Itinerary

June 18th found us in the good ole US of A! We were very excited upon exiting the plane having already dreamed of all of the places we'd go, people we'd see, and the foods we'd eat! Oh yeah, and the things we would do, too. Don't get me wrong, Brazil is cool, but there's no place like home.

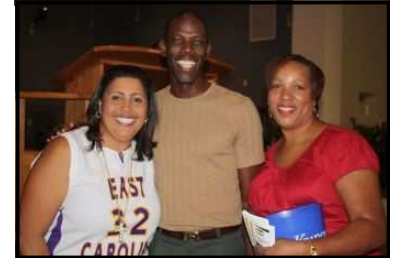
Our time of fundraising was much needed as support had begun to decline. Larry and I had set goals ahead of time and had a limited time to accomplish them. Our itinerary included ministering in various churches that already partnered with us as well as meeting new Pastors and individuals with whom we hope to partner in the future.

Though our primary goal was fundraising, I most enjoyed spending

time with our kids. It was great having the four of us together again. We saw other family members and friends as well.

Our other task was to stock up on some very much needed items to bring back with us to Brazil. My list was made during previous months in anticipation of the upcoming trip. Though we tried to do a little shopping all along the way, of course we found ourselves scrambling in the last few days to Walmart, Big Lots, etc., trying to complete our objectives. In the end, we returned to Brazil with two large suitcases and two carry on bags each (with my bags significantly outweighing Larry's).

All in all, it was a great trip. Our only regret is that we didn't get to spend time with everyone.



*A Few of Our Pastor Friends*



*Whew! Now just a 5 hour wait & a 3 hour Bus Ride to go!*

### Silver Anniversary

Just wanted to let you know that Larry and I celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary on August 11th. There was no big party or anything like that, but we did have an enjoyable day together in which we took time to reflect on all of the opportunities we've experienced in life and in love.



### Deborah Ministers in Women's Meeting



*Deborah with Interpreter*

Recently, I received an invitation to speak to a local monthly women's group. Though apprehensive at first, I decided that it was an opportunity for me to be stretched.

After much prayer, I felt lead to minister on the topic "Be the Best That You Can Be". I dealt with not comparing ourselves to others,

and not putting our confidence in our appearance, our possessions, or our accomplishments.

It was a great experience in faith to step out and minister without Larry at my side for the first time in Brazil. I was well received and was even invited to speak at a church conference next year.

## We’re Moving Up North



After much, much prayer, we feel inspired that our ministry would be more beneficial and appreciated in the poorer and less populated northeastern region of Brazil. For this reason, we will be relocating within a few weeks to the city of Recife, which is in the state of Pernambuco. We are very excited for this new direction and look forward to being properly positioned to do the work that God has for us to do here. While in North Carolina, some friends reminded us of a Word of prophesy our Pastor gave us just prior to our departure to Brazil last year. He said that our ministry would hit a brick wall initially, but that after that, it would flourish tremendously. Unfortunately we did hit that “brick wall”, but we now thank God for the growth that we know is about to come. Please pray for us as we take this next major step in ministry.



## You Have All the Ingredients



ability to see beyond what lay before him. He saw a delicious dessert, but it was in its “raw” form. He saw eggs, flour, milk, sugar, spices, and even a can of pumpkin pie mix. So, in a matter of 45 minutes, we enjoyed a delicious pumpkin spice cake that satisfied us all.

*the womb, I knew all about you. Before you saw the light of day, I had holy plans for you: A prophet to the nations – that’s what I had in mind for you.”*

Also, Matthew 10:30 says that *“He pays even greater attention to you, down to the last detail – even numbering the hairs on your head!”* God intimately knows us and what we are capable of. So, the next time God speaks to you to perform some outstanding or intimidating task, don’t question Him. He already knows that you are well equipped to do what He has called you to do. He knows what you are made of.

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Recently, while staying at our daughter’s apartment, Larry looked in the fridge for a between meals snack. Upon careful inspection, he closed the refrigerator door concluding that there was nothing to eat.

About 15 minutes later our son, Vincent, came into the kitchen on the same mission – to find a snack. After a quick assessment, he excitedly began to pull items out of the fridge and pantry to “create” his snack. You see, Vincent had the

It is much the same with man and with God. When man looks at us, he looks for the completed product. He measures us by what he can see at a glance – our surface. When God looks at us, He looks at all of the “ingredients” that He has placed inside of us. He sees every unique component which has the potential to make us the really great person that He created. In THE MESSAGE Bible, Jeremiah 1:5 says *“Before I shaped you in*

“Building People for God’s Glory”



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