

Jonathan & Beth Todd

Missionaries to Brazil ♦ Project #42.10039



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As the son of a pastor, Jonathan knew all about ministry as a profession. At the age of twelve, Jonathan felt that God was calling him into ministry, but he knew that it was not to pastoral ministry in a local church. At seventeen, Jonathan went on a mission trip to Quito, Ecuador, with Johnny and Paula Snyder. It was there that he discovered that the call on his life was for international missions. Over the course of several more trips to Quito, he was encouraged to follow that call and to keep watch for and be ready to walk through the doors that God would open.

Jonathan and Beth met each other at Asbury Theological Seminary and were married in 2011. In 2015, their daughter, Miriam, was born. Her parents think that she is a natural born missionary because she loves everyone. In 2018 they welcomed their son Jonah.

New doors have opened, and those doors are to Brazil. Jonathan and Beth are working alongside Brazilian leaders to train new pastors, both theologically and spiritually, by teaching in the seminary located in Itaituba. They are also working with established pastors and local congregations to support church-planting initiatives, as well as providing pastoral support to these geographically distant ministers. They also act as a liaison between the North Brazil assembly and Global Strategy. The Church of God is growing quickly in Northern Brazil, with one new church planted each year. The Todds' ministry helps provide a sound foundation for this growth.

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