

## The Smith Family

Starting churches in

## <u>Argentina</u>



## **Dear Pastor & Praying Friends,**

November 2009

Thank you for faithfully praying. It has been another busy month! We've been in KY, WV, OH, TN, and IL. Again, we are thankful for God's hand of **protection**. The van had to be winched out of a ditch, but we sustained no injuries nor was there damage to the vehicle. Three new churches have promised to take us on for support. Next month we will be in KY, TN, and IN. We still have some spots to fill for November and several in December.

I have been stirred by the account in Numbers 13 and 14 where the twelve spies were sent to the land of Canaan. Ten came back and gave an evil report about the size of the giants and how they were not able to possess the land. Only two had faith in God- Joshua and Caleb. In this age when many pastors and church members are complaining about the size of the enemy and offering every excuse why the Great Commission can't be accomplished, I want to lift my voice with Caleb and shout, "Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it." It is not our strength, nor the strength of the enemy that is the problem—it is our lack of faith in God.

Where is our faith in God? Why should it take a missionary 3 to 4 years of deputation to reach the field? Is it a lack of funds, or a lack of faith? I am praying that God would do a mighty work in the churches of America so that missionaries like us can be sent more quickly. The Gospel works in every land, but it has to get there first. We have a great opportunity to help make Buenos Aires a **center for world evangelism**. May God bless you for praying for us!

Friends, we are serious about getting to Argentina by January 2011. That leaves us about 15 months to go. As far as averages go, we need around 90 more supporting churches. This means we need to pick up an average of 6 new supporting churches per month. Please pray that God will increase our support by **6% each month**. God helping us, we believe we could reach 50% by this May, and 100% by January 2011.

We are researching the **best way to get into the country**. In Venezuela, all missionaries were kicked out by a dictator who came into power. If Argentina should become intolerant of U.S. missionaries, we don't want to be forced to leave, so we would like to avoid going on a religious visa. Please pray that God gives us wisdom as we make these decisions.

If you receive this by regular mail and have an email address, please let us know by emailing us at <a href="mailto:smiths2argentina@gmail.com">smiths2argentina@gmail.com</a> so we can send you our prayer letters via email and save money. Thank you for your faithful prayers. ¡Que Dios les bendiga ricamente!

That all the earth may know,