



## THE DOOLITTLES MISSIONARIES IN BRAZIL

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***"I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Philippians 3:14***

In 1995 I surrendered to missions. God opened the door for Kelly to teach in a school for missionary children in Manaus, Brazil. We quit our jobs, sold everything we had, and with very little support headed to Manaus in September 1995. We stayed in Manaus for almost one year. During this time Kelly taught at the school for missionary children, and we also took over another missionary's church plant. It was a time when we were also able to get our permanent paperwork together to stay in Brazil. We returned to the US to raise more support and have our first child, Philip. We joined Macedonia World Baptist Missions and hit the deputation trail. In March 1999 we returned to Brazil. We had two small children at the time, Philip and Hannah. We went to the city of Várzea Grande which is where my dad had a camp. We stayed about a year here while Kelly studied the Portuguese language. We then moved to Brasiléia, Acre. Here we had our first church plant. From this church plant we not only worked the city but the interior as well with Bible studies and preaching points. We were also able to help start a church plant in Cobija, Bolivia, which was across the river, and a church plant in the interior community of Guajará. We then moved to the capital city of Acre, Rio Branco. Here we were able to start another church plant and assist a national missionary in another work. These works that God allowed us to start are all still going on for His honor and glory. We then moved back to Várzea Grande to assist in the camp ministry that my dad had started. We were there for one year and then moved to Garantã do Norte, where we are today. God has done a tremendous work, and we are thankful to have been used by Him. We are also thankful for each church and individual that has partnered with us all these years. We are also very grateful for Macedonia World Baptist Missions and the invaluable support they have given us. Words cannot express our gratitude. Only in heaven will you know the impact that you had on the lives of the people here.

On May 14, 2024, we will be coming off the mission field. I will be resigning from Macedonia World Baptist Missions. I had made a commitment to God that I would stay on the field receiving financial support from churches and individuals if I was able to give HIM 100%. Well, I am not able to do that anymore, and I cannot justify my commitment to God by receiving financial support from you and not being able to continue 100%. God has sent a second-generation missionary to Brazil, Bro. Scott Allen, to carry this work forward. He is also a MWBM missionary. We are at present going through the transition process of finalizing what we need to do here before returning.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. We have always tried to be transparent in all that we have done and are doing. My contact number is (423) 414-4959. This number is a US number, and it receives calls and text messages. My email address is [steverdoolittle@gmail.com](mailto:steverdoolittle@gmail.com). I would like to ask that you not send any more correspondence to me here in Brazil as it sometimes takes months to receive our mail. Please send everything to Macedonia World Baptist Missions as that would be the best way for me to receive it.

Once again, we cannot express our gratitude for your faithfulness all these years.

**In Him,  
Stephen and Kelly Doolittle**

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February 16, 2024

Re: Stephen and Kelly Doolittle

Dear Pastor:

Brother Stephen and Kelly Doolittle came with Macedonia World Baptist Missions in March 1998. In spite of hardships and pressures through the years, they, along with their children, have served the Lord and the people of Brazil with great faithfulness and Christian distinction.

Now the Doolittles have shared with us that they feel the Lord is leading them permanently back to the States and are resigning as missionaries with Macedonia. They have been great friends to all of us and will be greatly missed by us. As they leave Brazil, they are leaving much fruit for the honor and glory of God.

In order to help with their transition, we will continue receiving and forwarding any support you wish to send to the Doolittles until August 2024. Also, I know that Brother and Mrs. Doolittle would appreciate your prayers as they move forward serving the Lord.

Thank you for your faithful support to the cause of Christ around the world. May the Lord richly bless you and your good ministry.

Yours for Souls,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M. Dean Hamby". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "M".

M. Dean Hamby  
Macedonia World Baptist Missions

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February 22, 2024

Re: Stephen Doolittle and Scott Allen transition

Dear Pastor:

Greetings in the name of our precious Savior. Thank you for taking the time to read these letters on behalf of our dear missionary families, the Doolittles and the Allens.

I would like to echo the words of Dr. Dean Hamby, that we have been blessed to have the Doolittles serve with Macedonia for almost 30 years. They have been a godly, faithful family over their tenure in Brazil! We could not say enough about them. We thank you for your faithful support of their ministry all these years.

That being said, I would also like to add that Brother Scott and Sister Donna Allen, the missionary family that will be taking the Doolittles' latest church plant in Guaranta do Norte, have faithfully served in Brazil themselves since 2013. We are so thankful for the Lord's timing in allowing the Allens to be available to step in and help in carrying on the work that the Doolittles have so diligently started.

Brother Scott didn't ask us to write this letter, but I felt it would be a help to state that the Allens have been serving faithfully there in Brazil and have done so under supported. Would you as a church consider, once this transition is finished, to continue the support that was once for the Doolittles to be continued for the ministry of the Allen family? There is no doubt in my mind that it would be mission money well spent. There is already fruit abounding to your account through your financial support of the Doolittles, and I am certain that more fruit will abound in the years to come if you choose to continue supporting the Allen family.

Thank you and may the Lord bless you in your service of our Savior Jesus Christ!

In Christ's service,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jason M. Hamby". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jason M. Hamby  
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