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I am so excited to be going to Brazil, it will be a real challenge, but I can't wait. I was reminded that Jesus works through us and that we are the hands and feet of Jesus.

'All of you together are Christ's body, and each of you is a part of it!' - 1 Corinthians 12:27 . So I have a part to play.

I was praying recently and asked the Holy Spirit to tell me a bit about Himself, and He said to go to Matthew 15:24 'I was sent only to help Gods lost sheep - the people of Israel'. Then Matthew 10:6 kept flashing in my mind, go to the people of Israel, God's lost sheep. Go and announce to them that the Kingdom of Heaven is near. Heal the sick, raise the dead, cure those with leprosy and cast out demons. Give as freely as you have received!

Brazil will be a great opportunity to step out and do the things Jesus has called us to do. I want to go out there and show compassion for people, to pray for people and to just love them.

John 13:34-35 'So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other, just as I have loved you, you should love each other. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.'

I want to raise my hand in the air and say, 'Here I am Jesus, weak as I am ... send me'.



Personally, I am trusting God for breakthrough regarding prophetic words which have been spoken over me to be fulfilled. As a family we face daily challenges with having a son with an Asperger/Autism diagnosis and I struggle myself, with processing lots of information and with my concentration; words have been spoken over me that as I rise up and step out in boldness LEADING my family, that I will walk out of confusion and into great clarity.

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My wife, Katie and I went to Cape Town a couple of years back for the Four12 Conference, which was amazing. Katie has always been the one either working as Administrator for the church, leading a ladies life group or toddler groups, but it is time for me to lead my family, to step out in faith and boldness, despite my weaknesses. I trust that God will do a great work in me, and as I step out, I will

walk into being the man God intended me to be. It is time I stopped being distracted with sport and excuses and pour my time into seeking God and building the Kingdom that has eternal value.

Financially, this trip was a challenge. My wife has stopped work having recently had a baby, despite this I stopped working overtime on Sundays, we doubled our tithe (as we were only tithing 5%) and booked the outreach to Brazil in blind faith! We set a new home budget but were starting each month minus £800. God is good The following week we noticed on our oil bill we had overpaid by over £1000, thank you Jesus! When we step out, He meets our needs!

God has done a great work in me over the last 6 months, He has set a fire in my heart which I can't help sharing It is time I step out of the shadows and see where God takes me!