

HURST FAM NEWS

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This photo with Isaac was our farewell pic with him the day before he left for the USA. He's moving to Minneapolis, Minnesota, where [Steiger](#) is based in the States. He'd like to play with the band [No Longer Music](#), but will first be getting a job there, trying to get involved in a local band, and continuing to serve with Steiger in whatever ways he can. He decided to get his driver's license first and it's just happened to work out better for him to get it in Austin, Texas, where Alana is living. He even managed to get a job for the month he'll be staying there, before moving to Minneapolis! We miss him, but are so excited that he's following God's will for his life!



It's so good being back home in Portugal after our summer away, but getting back here was quite the adventure, to say the least. We had problems with the motorhome from the start of our return journey, but we thought we could drive it back home nonetheless... WRONG! God was so faithful and took care of us the whole way. We never could have done it though, without the help of this brother and his wife! We

broke down in a small town in France where we could find no one who spoke English or Portuguese. Through a friend in Italy, we were able to contact Alain, who lived near the town we were stuck in, spoke Italian and translated for us into French! In the end, our insurance company towed the motorhome back to Portugal (took over 15 days to arrive!), Maureen was able to find a cheap flight back so that she could meet Alana, who was flying to Portugal for a visit, and Isaac, Maya (our dog), and Denny drove several rental cars/took several taxis back to Portugal (also paid for by our insurance co.), arriving just a few days later. Now we are searching for an affordable used replacement engine for the motorhome, which we hope to find soon. We'd appreciate your prayers for the search and if you'd like to donate towards the cost, you can send it through our home church with a note that it's for the Hursts' motorhome engine. Thanks!



Alana was with us for 15 days, which was a blessing for all of us! We had to get our residence permits renewed in order to continue the process of applying for Portuguese citizenship. Everything worked out fine with that and now we're moving ahead with the citizenship process for all four of us, which will help in so many ways with our work here in Southern Europe.

The day before Alana returned to the USA, Cristina Rodriguez Lluch from Spain (pictured here with our cat Tummy) arrived to live with us and serve in a 3-month Steiger internship here. What an exciting time, as we step into this new chapter of our lives in working with Steiger International and beginning a community house in Faro!

Next week, we go to Seville, Spain where we will meet with the European director of Steiger, the tour manager of No Longer Music and others to discuss future ministry in Southern Europe and begin organizing next year's NLM tour here. For a full report and summary videos on this year's tour go to: <http://www.steiger.org/2015toureport>

Whitney continues to thrive in Wenshan, China, where she's becoming more proficient in Mandarin, training the teachers at BCI's clinic for special needs children, and serving on a recently established board for assisting Chinese children with autism! We're so proud of her!

Thank you all so much for your continued friendship, prayer & financial support! We're so grateful for each of you!

Much love from - *Denny & Maureen*

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