



Greetings to you from the beautiful city of Itajai, Santa Catarina, Brazil!

May, 2014

God has once again given us the wonderful opportunity to visit supporters, share in partnering churches and visit with family. Transportation was a real challenge this furlough. The car we were counting on was able to take us short distances some of the time, but ended up in the shop for a good chunk of our stay. We had a great work out walking most places. Wilson's sister and brother-in-law graciously drove us to two of our supporting churches and loaned us their only car while our kids were here. It was so awesome to minister to adolescents, share in a youth group and Bible study groups as well as churches and homes. We also made a short trip to mission headquarters, stayed with a couple who have supported us for 31 years and had the special opportunity to preach and share in a supporting church there during their anniversary celebrations.

The highlight of our time in South Brazil was connecting with family. It's been two years since we have seen our "kids" and four and a half years since they have seen Wilson's side of the family. We dedicate the rest of this letter in praise to the Lord for family and for each one of you for your love, prayers and support of us all! What a whirlwind of activities, family gatherings and outings! Here is a glimpse of our times together...

Fun at the beach!



Taking time to walk and talk.



Watching ships come and go.



Catching waves...

Sightseeing...

The sand dunes and beaches in Florianopolis



The beautiful city of Itajai.



What a surprise to find 16 capivaras surrounded by high rise apartments along the riverfront of Itajai!



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CELEBRATING FAMILY!

KANNENBERG FAMILY REUNION



Our time together came and went too fast. None of us ever dreamed how hard it would be to say good bye. Amidst the tears our hearts are full and overflowing with God's goodness in allowing us to be family, giving

us such awesome kids and spouses and blessing us with a family that loves the Lord and is dedicated to following Christ, obeying His Word and serving him.



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We want to give our special thanks to the head of the clan... Mom and Dad Kannenberg for allowing us all to stay with them, for their unconditional love and faithful prayers over the years, for the delicious home cooked meals we were all missing and most of all for their Godly testimonies and Christian example. They have given us the richest heritage anyone could desire. We have been and continue to be blessed beyond compare through their lives. Mom and Dad, Grandma and Grandpa, thank you for teaching us what it means to whole heartedly love and serve the Lord!

Once again, we want to thank you for your love, support and prayers on our behalf. You are an important part of our extended family and God continues to bless us through you!! Soon we will be heading back to Manaus and then on to Benjamin. We will be preparing to receive another mission team and team leaders from other supporting churches and I will begin the teacher training course and workshops once again.

Please continue to pray for Jessica and Ben as they begin the process of joining Pioneer Mission. They are trusting God to prepare them to come and serve as missionaries in Benjamin Constant. They will be going through a 10 day orientation program next month and will be moving to Kansas to be closer to relatives and visit churches there. Jessica just accepted a job in a hospital there as a float nurse to be more exposed to a variety of sicknesses and health conditions and Ben is currently applying to the local schools for a teacher position to have more experience in teaching as well. Julie is still adapting to her new position as nurse educator at St. Francis and Brandon is already putting in applications for a job and looking into two nursing schools. He would be able to finish their programs in around 14 months. Joshua and Leighann have plenty of challenges in their jobs at the hotel. We are so thankful that God is growing them in His grace, allowing them to develop their gifts and directing their steps.

*Sending you our love and hugs,
Lori and Wilson*

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