

GOD'S BLESSINGS ABOUND...

October, 2016

As Thanksgiving approaches, in the midst of elections, uncertainties, unrest, natural disasters and disease around the world, we are encouraged to hold fast in Christ and remember that God is in control! He never changes and His purposes will ultimately be carried out for His honor and glory. How awesome is that?! It's so easy to say and know this but so hard to live it. One way we are learning to trust God and be confident in His purposes each and every day is by being thankful for His many blessings. We are so thankful for our time in the USA...

After more than 3000 miles on the road and around 24 hours in transit from the USA to Brazil, Wilson and I are back in Benjamin, Constant, Amazon. God gave us wonderful times connecting with each one of our kids and grandson...



Joshua and Dad



An amazing service at Watermark Church with Joshua and Leighann. (Dallas, TX)



Fun time with family in Peoria, IL... walks on the river front, communion together at church, trips to the park.

Julie, Mom and Jessica



Grandpa with Lucas, Brandon and Julie, Jessica and Ben 😊



...Enjoying the out of doors with Ben, Jessica and Lucas in Wichita, Kansas.

Although our time was very limited, we thoroughly enjoyed hearing from and meeting with some of you...



The McCalligan Family



Cheryl and hubby 😊

We praise the Lord for you and for the tremendous ways God met our needs providing places to stay, funds for travel expenses and good health.

MINISTRY TOOLS...

One of the main purposes of this trip was to help Ben and Jessica any way we could with the preparations of their move to Brazil and to work out all the details to import a speed boat that was donated to the mission ministries in the Amazon, Brazil. Our most heartfelt thanks to Mike and Diane Sevenser for this tremendous gift! God provided a wonderful car to tow the boat from WI to IL thanks to Dennis and Cheryl Sohn and one of Ben's friends used his truck to tow the boat from IL to Springfield, MO where it will be placed into a container with all of Ben and Jessica's belongings, and shipped to Brazil. So many ways in which God provides and so much to be thankful for! Ben, Jessica, Lucas and Wilson made a trip to the Chicago Consulate to apply for Lucas's passport, Ben's permanent visa and to process the documents necessary to export the boat to Brazil. Continue to pray with us that all will go smoothly!



What an exciting moment... Handing over the keys and opening up the doors to reach isolated river communities for Christ and visit and encourage pastors and leaders. Our special thanks to you Mike and Diane!



MINISTRY PARTNERS... Ben, Jessica and Lucas have been on the road continually for the past several months speaking at churches, sharing in Bible study groups, and meeting with pastors and mission leaders trusting God to provide ministry partners. **Pioneer Mission requires them to have 90% of their monthly support pledged and coming in to the mission in order to head for Brazil. Their monthly incoming funds to date is around 75%.** Please pray with us that God will provide the rest of their support soon. Their current plans are to arrive in Brazil in November to begin language training for Ben and specific nursing training for Jessica on tropical diseases. Wilson and I are so blessed and encouraged to have each one of you as a ministry partner, but we are also so overwhelmed and touched that God has called some of you to join forces with Ben and Jessica as well. Continue to pray with us that others will prayerfully consider becoming one of their ministry partners, supporting the Spicer's on a monthly basis and/or joining their prayer team. Pray too for Doug and Lydia Caudill and family as they prepare to come to Brazil the beginning of next year.



We want to thank you for your prayers on our behalf... the time with our kids, the importation process and travel safety. Our special thanks for those of you who were able to provide funds to help with the costs involved in transporting the boat to Brazil! We will let you know when it arrives!

It was really hard not being able to see any of our extended family and only touching base with just a handful of you, our ministry partners. How we would have loved to spend time with each and every one and share in God's goodness in person. Since the time with our kids was so short, we decided not to shorten it even further by spending hours on the phone. While in transit we used the phone as our GPS, which did not give us much leeway for making calls. Thank you for understanding and being so loving and supportive.

Right now we are gearing up for a two week visit from Sara and Jader Kannenberg (Wilson's nephew), who are trusting God to come to Benjamin Constant in the near future as missionaries. They have received an offer to direct a Christian school for low income Ticuna Indian children that was founded by missionaries Clauber and Denoura. During their visit they will be evaluating this offer and trusting God to show them in what capacity they should serve in this region. Then they will return to south Brazil and begin their deputation to raise support to join us!

I am helping to coordinate the next children's event for Children's Day the middle of October. This event will be focusing on the Wordless Book using hearts and the theme is: True Love. We will be using puppets and large foamy hearts to share the Gospel. Since we have averaged around 200 kids in the past and each one is allowed to invite a friend, we are calculating around 400 kids. We never really know quite how many will show up but we have prepared 400 beaded bracelets of the Wordless Book and 400 take home gifts (little wall hangings made of 5 foamy hearts in

the format of a rainbow with a heart sucker attached to the back). The decorations are done, teachers are prepared and the group responsible for the puppet program are ready to go! Please pray with us that God will move and work His will in those little hearts so those who do not know Christ as their personal Savior will put their trust in Him and desire to love, obey and serve Him!

*God bless! All our love and hugs,
Wilson and Lori*

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