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SETTLING IN

We have finally gotten settled back into our house in the city of Benevides, state of Pará, at the mouth of the Amazon River. One of the blessings of not being able to sell our house all these years is that we had a place to come "home" to after moving from the city of Palmas. Our move back to Pará took several days. Antonia and Stacy drove back, accompanying the moving truck and getting everything moved into the house. I had to stay back in Palmas for about 10 days to tie up loose ends, get the rental house painted, inspected, and turned back in to the real estate office, etc., then I traveled back by bus. We are still getting re-acclimated to Pará, with all the rain and mildew, but it is also truly satisfying to be back where I grew up and where the Lord has used us for so many years.

We are also happy this month to have my parents, Bill and Mary Horton, staying with us for a few weeks while they get re-settled after their furlough. Please pray that they will soon find a house in a decent area, convenient for their personal and ministerial needs. Please pray also for their health.

SUMMER PLANS

On June 10 we will fly to the States to spend the summer. This was supposed to be our regularly scheduled furlough, but due to the changes in our ministry location here in Brazil, we have decided to delay our furlough until next year, and then take a shorter furlough. Nevertheless, we still need to go to the States this month for a few reasons:

- We plan on visiting some colleges to help Stacy decide for sure where she wants to attend. The college she had practically decided on just announced that they are cancelling their music program. That threw Stacy for a loop. Therefore, we are back to visiting some colleges this summer. She is even considering visiting some colleges, returning to Brazil with us and helping in the ministry for one year, and then enrolling next year. Please pray that the Lord will give her and us wisdom in this matter.
- This summer we hope to visit a few supporters and maybe some new churches. That will allow us to make the best use of our time, and still take a shorter "regular" furlough next year.
- We also plan on getting some routine physicals and other medical care while in the States this summer. While I do get my regular cancer check-ups here in Brazil, we do not have a "family" or "primary care" physician here that will do a regular physical like we do in the States. Therefore, our "annual" physicals are generally every furlough, whenever that may be!

When we return to Brazil in August, we will be working with my father and mother in the ministry here in Pará. Our ministry will be primarily helping the local churches here start other churches and preaching points. We plan to do this by taking men who have been prepared and helping them establish congregations in other parts of the city and state. We will also be teaching in our Bible Institute, training men and women in the Lord's work of reaching the lost for Christ, as well as involving them in the local church-plants, and giving them first-hand experience for after they graduate. Thank you for your prayers, and please continue to hold us up before the throne of grace!

"To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God..." Acts 26:18a