

Friday, February 22, 2019

"But I have trusted in thy mercy; my heart shall rejoice in thy salvation." Psalms 13:5

Praise:

1. Bob's partner, Lloyd, in Santo Antonio, is working hard in the aviation ministry to keep the plane, hangar, and security measures in top condition. I am much encouraged by reports of his flights and his reminders to me of things I need to do during our furlough to get back down there as soon as possible. Thank you for praying for him and his family as they face daily challenges in that area.
2. As Karen and I visit churches, we try to emphasize the need for pastors and missionaries in this part of the world. Please continue to pray for God to stir up hearts of those He has chosen for each of our churches in Amazonas that still do not have a regular pastor. Karen and I are thankful for an email we received recently to set up a time to visit with a foreign exchange student who is interested in missionary aviation.
3. We praise God for the great fellowship we've already experienced while sharing our ministry. Karen and I have shared our presentation at least 18 times in homes and in churches, including reporting back to 4 of our 25 supporting churches. As of today, we have scheduled visits to 15 of our churches. Lord willing, we plan to leave Roseville about June 24th to start our trip back to Brazil. At the end of this update, we've listed the Sunday evenings that are still available. It will be our joy to visit your church, so please contact us if you can fit us in during one of these Sunday evenings. We do plan to be back in two years for another six-month furlough beginning in July of 2021. Our presentation is available on YouTube at the following address: <https://youtu.be/LhnRLncjsN4>
We understand that this presentation will only come up by using this address, but feel free to share it with anyone you believe will be interested. (Thank you to our son, Chris, who produced it.)
4. Karen and I have so many wonderful memories of our vacation time spent with our family. God answered our prayers for all six of our children to be together with us on Christmas Day, 2018! The last time we were together for Christmas was in 2004. God did not make it possible for Anna's husband, Jimby, to be granted a visa to visit the States. This was a big disappointment, but God did give us peace, as we trusted that He knows best and that He is always good, all the time.
5. The 2008 Dodge Grand Caravan that was donated to Karen and me is serving us well. We drove it from Milwaukee, WI to Canyon Country, CA (just north of LA) for our family reunion and Chris' wedding to Breanne on January 3. Then we drove to Elizabethton, TN (where Bob trained at Moody Aviation 42 years ago). Our daughter, Jessica has been living there for the past three years. From Tennessee, we drove to Roseville, Michigan where we are super thankful to be once again guests in the Missionary Guest House of a very helpful supporting church God has provided for us. The van was pretty full with the six of us (Karen, me, Jessica, and our son, Samuel, his wife, Bea, and their son, Joshua.) We stopped and visited several friends along the way.
6. We praise God and thank each of you for your faithful prayer and financial support. Working together, you are providing 100 percent of the financial support that ABWE requires us to have before returning to Brazil.

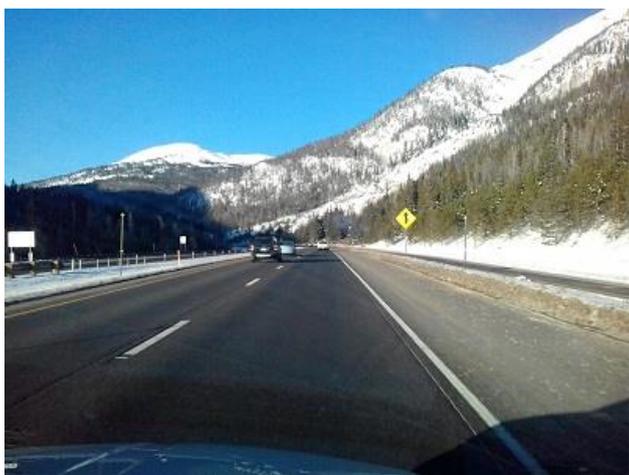
Current Prayer Requests:

1. Please pray for our continued safety and health during the rest of this furlough. We realize that we are always totally dependent on God for these two items.
2. Please pray with Lloyd and Bob as we seek God's leading for a man to come to Amazonas as a full time missionary with ABWE to help us in the aviation ministry.
3. Our schedule of upcoming meetings. Please pray for us to be sensitive to God's direction during the rest of this furlough.

February 24 am – Tri-County Baptist in Clawson, MI 24 pm – Bible Baptist in Shelby Twnshp, MI	April 6-7 – Calvary Baptist in West Branch, MI 14 am – SALT ABF at Highland Park Baptist in Southfield, MI 28 am – Gingellville Community in Orion, MI
March 3 am – Liberty Baptist in Reed City, MI 10 am – Colonial Hills Baptist in Mt. Morris, MI 17 am – Cornerstone Baptist in Roseville, MI 21-24 – York Baptist in Milan, MI 31 am – Crossroads ABF at Cornerstone Baptist in Roseville, MI 31 pm – Calvary Baptist in Ypsilanti, MI	May 5 – Calvary Baptist in Sault Ste. Marie, MI 19 am – Five Pnts. Commun. in Auburn Hills, MI
	June 2 pm – Evening service at Faith Bible Baptist in Lake Odessa, MI 9 – West Rome Baptist in Manitou Beach, MI

Please contact us if you would like us to visit your church in the evening on one of these dates:
March 10 and 17; April 14 and 28; May 19 and 26.

Serving Him together, Bob and Karen



Driving our newly donated minivan from Milwaukee, WI to Canyon Country, CA



Christmas Day with all of our grandchildren!
(Where is Tabby, the oldest?)



This was the first Christmas since 2004 where we were with all six of our “kids”
Thank you for praying!



We praise God that everyone in our family except Jimby could attend Christopher and Breanne’s wedding.



Loading up after a fun day together. Our van is the white one on the left.



Oh, here is our oldest granddaughter, Tabby.
(She's holding the youngest, her cousin, Elijah.)



Grandpa still loves to play "Monster"!
(Looks like the grandkids love it as much as their parents did.)



While we're on furlough, Lloyd carries on the aviation ministry, alone.
Who will God send to Santo Antônio to help us?