



News from

The Yelles

Serving the Lord in

Caxias do Sul, Southern Brazil



August 29, 2017

Dear friends,

"The LORD is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works." Ps 145:9

On September 18, 2017, we board the plane to return home to Brazil and the ministry there. The Lord has been good and gracious, blessing our ministry and family on this furlough.

Since our last report, we have one new supporting church, and the promise of support from three others. Praise the Lord our goal of a 10% increase in support is closer to being accomplished!

Our absence off the field has been used of the Lord to stimulate spiritual growth and union amongst the church members. Through God's wisdom, power and guidance, the small congregation has cared for the ministry and for one another.

Joneia began teaching K4, while her husband, Jeremy Bennett, is working and studying at Heartland Baptist Bible College in Oklahoma City. He is a Junior, persuing a missions degree.

Our two unmarried daughters are now passed onto their next stage of life. They are in good care, both humanly and spiritually speaking. Leila is adjusting to the dorm life at Dallas Baptist University, and Katherine (Kat) is moved into her aunt's and uncle's house in Ohio for a gap year. Kat will be working to save up funds for college. She is planning to attend Pensacola Christian College fall of 2018.

The return to Brazil will be with mixed emotions. We are ready and eager to get back to the Independent Baptist congregation, and to open up a second preaching point in the southern region of Caxias do sul. However, we will be arriving in Brazil as empty nesters.

Our prayer requests are:

- Continued family adjustments
 - Jeremy & Joneia with work and studies in Oklahoma City
 - Leila - at Dallas Baptist University
 - Katherine - "gap year" in Ohio with her aunt and uncle.
 - John & Neila - "empty nest"
- Our flight back on September 18 (safety and no luggage lost)
- Full support before the end of 2017 (we currently are at about 92%)

Thank you all for the prayers for our ministry and family over the past months of furlough. May the Lord bless you and keep you in His grace and mercy.

In His service,

John & Neila Yelle

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