

July 20, 2020

Dear Praying Friends

The butterflies are jumping around as we go into the final preparations of leaving the Spartanburg area and then leaving Florida for Brazil. We have our bags “somewhat” packed – will have to do the final packing in Grand Bay while visiting Celia and Keith. We plan to leave here on Wednesday (July 23) and spend time with Celia and Keith and John and Dot – and get the covid-19 test. Then we leave that area on August 5<sup>th</sup> to go to Orlando to spend two nights with friends before leaving for Ft Lauderdale to board our plane. On August 7<sup>th</sup> we get on a plane from Fort Lauderdale to arrive in Maceió on Sunday, Aug 9<sup>th</sup>. Pray with us that all will go well.

We know God has everything under control – but there are so many details to work out. So pray with us for God’s peace.

We have had many answers to prayer recently.

1. Our two tickets that we bought before have been returned to us as airline credit. We need to decide by the end of August where we are going and when with this credit. We are considering Portugal to visit Adil & Erica (one of our BGFm missionaries) or return to the US for our granddaughter Katelyn’s wedding. Pray with us for wisdom.
2. We are able to return our van on August 7 on the way to the Fort Lauderdale airport.
3. Steve and Janna Young have agreed to not only host us for two nights – but also to take us to return our van in “Tampa” FL and to take us on to Fort Lauderdale airport.
4. We were able to get a “bed and bath” at the airport of Viracopos (Campina) between flights
5. We are thankful for our time in Spartanburg – for the friends we have made and the opportunity to be with family both here and in Winston Salem

Our Prayer requests are:

1. We just found out that our BGFm conference in Brazil is cancelled for September. We already bought our ticket – so pray as we work at cancelling and getting credit to use together with the other two credits.
2. Pray that our flight to Viracopos doesn’t get cancelled. Also pray as we need to take the covid-19 test. We have a doctor who will write a declaration that we are free of the covid once we do the test. Pray that this will all work out in the right time (which we don’t know what that is).
3. Pray for our adjustment to life in Brazil with all of the changes which are happening.