



News from

The Yelles

Caxias do Sul, Southern Brazil



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Hello, friends!

What a blessed adventure this furlough has been. This is the first furlough since 2001 that we are able to travel full time together. We are now past the half way point in our travels. We will be returning to Brazil in August. We praise the Lord for His protection on the road as we've traveled around 20,000 miles in six months.



The Hawkins family, 1974

The beginning of 2025 was filled with mixed emotions. Neila's mom, Elaine Hawkins, was promoted to glory on January second. All her children and some grandchildren were by her side in her last hours, with most all surrounding her bed as she "fell asleep". We all rejoice for the missions legacy she and her husband Joe have left to the glory of God!



Neila and her siblings

To date we have reported to thirty-three churches, located in Texas, the midwest, the northeast, and the east coast. We are now beginning our meetings in Arizona, California, and the Pacific Northwest.

The only vehicle breakdown we've had is with our trailer, and even that wasn't critical. One of the slide-outs had a wiring problem as well as a dirty gear track. It appears to have been fixed, but time will tell.

While in Washington State, we'll be visiting with John's family. In March, we have a big birthday party planned for his dad, Ron, who will be turning 90! We also will be receiving two of our Brazilian disciples and English students, Jonah and Nicole, who will be traveling with us for three weeks! We're looking forward to having them with us as we report to our partnering churches in the region. Please pray for the Lord's blessings with the birthday party, and Jonah and his wife's travel to the USA.

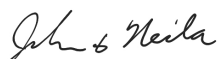
The news of the ministry in Brazil is fantastic! We're pleased to hear that the Bennetts completed their discipleship with Robson and Sabrina, and the church is growing! New people are joining the congregation. Also, Neila completed her ministerial study with Vilma through the internet as we traveled.

Please remember in prayer the following:

- Funds raised for our camp ministry facilities
- Continued safety in our travels
- Wisdom for the Bennetts as they lead in the work in Caxias
- Bro. Jeremy Bennett's proficiency in the Portuguese language

We thank you for your prayers of support for our family and ministry. God bless!

In His service,



John & Neila Yelle

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