

The KOKENZIE Family

"REACHING THE WORLD THROUGH BRAZIL BY
BEARING WITNESS OF CHRIST'S SAVING POWER"



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MINISTRY

- * Evangelizing the Lost
- * Establishing Churches
- * Edifying the Converts
- * Entrusting Them to the Lord

-- Acts 14:21-23 --

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The electronic version of this prayer letter comes with additional information and pictures. You may either request your copy via e-mail or view it on our ministry site.

We also deeply appreciate your interest and correspondence. Feel welcome at anytime to share with us your questions or comments.

DEAR PRAYING PARTNERS:

I am writing this letter from a four bedroom country home made available to us (right on time) by a gracious family in our church. Just yesterday our house closed, and it could not have gone smoother! We thank you greatly for praying.

Elijah's passport has arrived! And, the Brazilian consulate in Atlanta scheduled us to present our visa paperwork on the 14th. Please pray. If all our paperwork is up to their desires then we can receive our visa anywhere from the 15th to the 25th of July. On the other hand, if we have complications weeks could turn into months. Would you please fervently bring this matter to the Lord? We are counting on Him giving us favor with the people across the counter; we really hope to attend language school in August.

Our ministry this month has really seen an exciting turn. Though we are saddened that the Brazilian family we have been pointing to Christ has not accepted Him, the Lord has, in the meantime, brought us into contact with another group of foreigners—Iraqi refugees. We picked up a lead when they contacted our church looking for English classes. Space limits what can be said, but in a matter of two weeks we established contact with around 50 of them, and around 40 have already attended services in our church! A small fraction of them are Muslim; the rest are Catholic. Some have shown much interest in the Scriptures and God has provided many laborers from our church as the work continues. Please pray. We have learned of other pockets of these refugees who could be very ripe for the gospel. How interesting is it, that we should be saturated with Arabic-speaking Iraqis just before we go to Portuguese-speaking Brazil? But, how fitting, since we are convinced that Brazil should not limit our outreach but be the means of it! We will continue pursuing Brazilians with an eye for all mankind.

Please be aware of our new blog on www.BraziltotheUttermost.com. There we share stories of God's hand in our lives as well as the conversations we have with the unsaved. We hope you enjoy reading them just as much as we enjoy writing them.

Grateful for God's Grace,

John, Julie, Selina, Gabriel & Elijah

"BRETHREN, PRAY FOR US"