



# Paul and Becky Abel on furlough from Brazil April 2020

# MISSIONS

We are experiencing the **peace of Christ** which surpasses all human understanding as we trust God in uncertain times (Phil. 4:6-7). As we witness many people in "panic mode" and worried about the future because of the pandemic, we are thankful to know God's peace. We find comfort in God's Word, we pray, and we look for ways to help others experience the blessing of resting in God and trusting in His promises.

## Our Travel Wheel



The wheels on the mission van have stopped temporarily as we cooperate with "**shelter-in-place**" orders. Since the beginning of our furlough we have done 77 presentations about our missionary work in Brazil. We have traveled over 10,000 miles by car and another 9,000 by air. **Thank you** to each of the dear people who received us with open arms and open hearts, sharing your time, your homes, your interest and your gifts to encourage us in our mission to serve the Lord in Brazil. Maybe you can find the name of your town in our travel wheel!

Along with the rest of the world we have been thrown into a new way of communicating with people. We have **recorded our missionary presentation** to make it available to the churches that we

will not be able to visit on this furlough. The recordings include two special numbers, a 7-minute video about our work in Brazil, a 2-minute update about our children, and a 20-minute missionary message from Paul. If you are interested in "seeing us" without actually being physically present, visit our **website** – [www.paulabelfamily.org/videos/](http://www.paulabelfamily.org/videos/) for direct viewing or for downloadable links.



## Recording “artists”



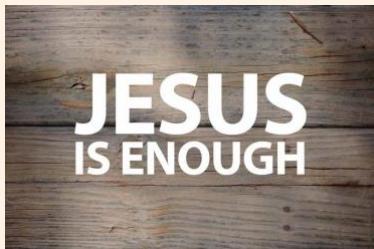
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### Sheltered-in-place with grandchildren

## Meanwhile in Brazil....

Brazil is shut down just like the rest of the world. People in underdeveloped countries suffer much more in times like these. Many people live from one day to the next, so please **remember the less fortunate** at this time of world crisis. We are concerned for the **ARCA camp** that depends on rental money to pay the monthly bills and salaries. We have sent money for this month to "help the boat stay afloat," but the future remains to be seen. One happy tidbit we can share is the blessed receipt of monies to **build the parsonage** for Pastor Fernando and his family in Bateias. The construction has started and brings a ray of hope in difficult times.



**The Final Word** As we look forward to celebrating Easter in a different way in 2020 let's all remember that Jesus is Enough. He is all we need now and forever. He has done it all - He has saved, forgiven, redeemed, and sanctified us. He is enough during good times and during crises. And He is enough to join us to Himself forever in Heaven. Happy Easter!

*Thank you for standing with us in prayer for our world! In Jesus, Paul and Becky*

If you would like to **contribute** to our ministry, give online - [www.aflcworldmissions.org/online-giving](http://www.aflcworldmissions.org/online-giving) or send a designated gift to AFLC World Missions 3110 E. Medicine Lake Blvd., Mpls., MN 55441

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## Prayer Requests for those who pray

1. For God's **sovereign purposes** to be recognized by the whole world as people realize their own incapacity to solve devastating problems like the corona virus and our own sin.
2. For God's **supernatural provision** for people in need around the world, and especially for the needs of the ARCA in Brazil.
3. For **Paul's Dad, John Abel**, who has recently been released from weeks in the hospital and nursing home to return home.
4. For **daughter Christina** who will have to take antibiotics for a whole year for the healing of her arm.
5. For our **Brazilian pastors and congregations** in their witness and love during trying times.
6. **For us** as we try to be a blessing in some way to those we contact by phone and through social media. Pray for our support in times of financial difficulty.