



The Jones Family

Jeff, Johanna, Daryelys, Jatriel & Jeffrey

Thank You!

Our family has been so blessed the last few months. Much has happened since our December newsletter. As many of you know, we came to the US on November 11, to begin our four month furlough. We have been able to see many of our supporting church partners. So many miles, meals, and fellowships over these last months have been wonderful. Our family has had the joy of meeting so many new faces of people who play vital role in supporting the work in Panama. Thank you for your heart for the Lord and His work.

It was also nice to be home for Christmas and New Year's for the first time since 2016. We were able to spend time with my mother, Faye Jones. I know many have asked about her health since her fall last May. She had to put the brace back on her arm in November because the doctor was not happy with the way it was healing. Please keep her in your prayers as neither the doctor nor my mother want to do surgery. We also were able to find a new place for my mother to move. After forty-four years of living in the same house, she now lives in a small apartment. Downsizing was hard, but she now lives in a much better place. Thank you for praying for this need.

With the current sickness of Coronavirus in the world, we are still here in the US. We had planned to return to Panama on March 31; but on March 22, the President of Panama closed the airport to all international flights for a period of at least one month. We are thankful to the good people here at Merry Oaks Baptist Church who have allowed us to stay in the church parsonage. The Morales Family, who is staying in our home and taking care of the church, is willing to stay until we are able to return. Please continue to keep them in your prayers.

Just as in America, the Coronavirus is bringing every thing to a halt in Panama. The country has about fourteen people who have died from Coronavirus. The government has started to impose curfew on the people this week. Now people are only allowed to be on the streets for two hours a day depending on their I.D. number. Many workers work by the day and now have no income, and many work paycheck to paycheck. With many people out of work at the moment, there is fear of much unrest to come. Please pray for safety if we are allowed to go back soon. By not being in Panama, it is sometimes hard to know all that is happening; but we are able to keep up with some of the news. As I write this newsletter, the church has not been allowed to meet for three weeks. Pastor Jacob is using the WhatsApp to reach the people, which is a cellular app much like messenger used to send voice and video messages. We are also thankful for this app because we can communicate with the people there in Panama. Sister Johanna put up a new YouTube page for our church. I recorded and uploaded a sermon yesterday. There is a learning curve for these online services. I had to upload in three different videos. We appreciate all the advice and help in using the best format to upload sermons and other material.

Please continue to pray for our building and land fund which is now close to \$8,400. Thank you to all who pray and give to this project. Please continue to pray for God's guidance and patience in this area.

If you or your church would like to help support the work on Panama, your support can be sent to Faith Church or give online at www.faithfwbcc.com/give.html by designating to the Jones' Account. We thank each of you for your prayers and financial support. That makes it possible for us to serve the Lord here in Panama.

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Prayer Requests:

1. Hope to return to Panama soon
2. Church Members in Panama
3. Online Services
4. Spiritual Growth
5. Return to normal services

Thank You So Much For Your Faithful Support!

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Jeff Jones Mission Account

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