



# The Jones Family

Jeff, Johanna, Daryelys, Jatriel & Jeffrey



### Prayer Requests:

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

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### Update.

Hello! From the Jones Family still at the moment here in the USA. Many things have happened since our last letter in March. As many know we came on furlough which was to be from mid November until March 31st. We were all set to go home to Panama when Covid 19 hit. Just a few days before our date to return on March 22nd the President of Panama declare a health emergency and closed the airport to all incoming flights for one month. Therefore, we were not able to return to Panama as planned. The closure of the airport has been extended each month since for one more month. In the last few weeks one airline has been able to start having limited flights into the country.

Covid in Panama has been hard on the people there as well. Not only was the airport closed but the whole country was put on a stay a home order. In our last newsletter I explained that the people were only allowed to go out for 2 hours on certain days for the women and others for the men But no one was allowed out on Sunday. With in the last week that has been lifted and now curfew is 11 p.m. until 5 a.m. but Sunday is still a stay at home day. The Morales family who have been taking care of the church in our absence have been having services on Zoom. This is working, but not as many people have internet or data that they might attend.

Johanna and our oldest two children are here on a tourist visa, which are allowed to be in the USA 6 months at a time. Our original plans were to be here only 4 months. As soon as we realized we would be here longer we applied for an extension of stay. This included sending documents and paying \$700. After more than a month had past we received notice that Immigration services had received our application. Later more time past and we were given an appointment to be fingerprinted. Then finally one month ago we received a notice asking for more financial documents and even an itinerary as to all places visited during our stay. We were only given a short time to compile and was due today 9-16-2020. I overnighted the documents with FEDEX only to receive notice this morning that the document were delivered but to another address. I contacted FedEx of the error and explained that the documents need to be delivered today. I know by to time you get this letter it will be later but please keep the immigration issues in your prayers.

Over the last few months I have had some health issues and test. I still have some upcoming medical test in the next few weeks. We do covet your prayers in these matters. With the immigration issues combined with my health issues it is sad to say that Johanna, Daryelys, and Jatriel will return to Panama ahead of myself and Jeffrey Jr. As we were told things were opening up in Panama we bought tickets for their return on Sept. 17th only to be canceled by the airline and moved to Oct 8th. Because of the Sept. 17th date the Morales family who are taking care of our home and the church are returning to their home on the 17th of September. We will continue to do the church services via Zoom from here in the USA until my return to Panama.

We continue to be so grateful to each of you that keep us in your prayers during these days. We are also thankful to Pastor Jim Brady and the good people at Merry Oaks Baptist in Moncure, NC allowing us to stay in there parsonage during all the time we have been in the USA. We have really enjoyed spending time with these good folks during these days. Pray that the Lord will continue to bless each of you.

We are trying a new website you can visit at: <https://www.panamajeff.com/>  
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.faithfwb.com/give.html](http://www.faithfwb.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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