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Dear Brethren,

For those that don't yet know, we got back to the States on September 23. Some of you, we've already seen, and others, we correspond with by e-mail, but for still others, this will be news. In August we found out that, in spite of promises and our fulfilling all requirements, our application for registering the church and work was denied, a year after we began the process. Registration affects our residence there as missionaries, as well, and our residence permit was to expire September 30. Of course, we were planning to come home for a year's visit anyhow, but now we will not be returning to Mozambique. After praying and seeking the Lord's will throughout the process, and more particularly after finding out the final verdict on our application, we believe the Lord showed us His will about trying to continue there. Another option for residence was presented to us, but I didn't feel we should pursue it. Bro. Nathan Schwaderer, whose residence was also affected by the denial of our application, did pursue it, and is continuing there. Bro. Martinásio Tembe, whom I helped ordain in 2005, was called as pastor of the Trevo church and he accepted it. He officially assumed pastoral duties on our last Sunday there, the 14th of September. We then left Mozambique on Friday, the 19th.

Before leaving, we loaded a container with some of our household goods and library, and delivered it to the port of Maputo for shipping back to the States. I, with my son, Peter, picked up our goods in Charleston, South Carolina, on the 5th of November, and hauled them home to Hattiesburg by rental truck. All of our children are presently living here in Hattiesburg, so, for the first time in several years, all our family is in the same place. Peter and wife, Holly, moved back to Hattiesburg a couple of years ago, and Peter finished his studies here at the University of Southern Mississippi in August, with a Bachelor of Arts in History. He had a GPA of 3.91, and will be graduating with highest honors. Commencement will be on December 12. You can imagine how proud and thankful we all are. Joshua and wife, Rachel, are also presently studying at USM, Joshua for a degree in Linguistics, and Rachel in Music. Our son-in-law, Ed Blakeman, and daughter, Jessica, have been living here for several years, and Ed is doing medical training. John came home from Mozambique a year ago, and has been working. He has recently become engaged to a young lady in our church, Angela (Angie) Grossman. Priscilla, Janell, and Julia Rose are still at home with us.

The Lord willing, I will be visiting and reporting to all our supporting churches over next year. After that, I may make a trip back to Mozambique, to visit the brethren, if the Lord wills. Beyond that, we don't yet have definite leading from the Lord. Please pray with and for us about this.

Thank you for your prayers and offerings. We appreciate your fellowship with us in the gospel, and thank the Lord for you. The Lord bless you.

In Christ,
Daniel A. Rogers