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Dear Friends,

My railroad adventure is finished. I wanted to attend the Association of Christian Librarians conference in San Diego, CA as well as visiting friends and relatives living along the west coast. Distance was too far to drive alone and flying would be very costly. Jack Traylor mentioned some advantages of going by train, so thought I would do something different. Celia and Nancy worked with me in setting up an itinerary that included as many people as possible, so with a thirty day rail pass the trip was a success.

The conference was excellent. I was blessed by the devotions and the fellowship of others working in Bible Institute libraries and was challenged with ways to improve the library at SIBIMA in Brazil.

The train ride was enjoyable. Yes, it was long, but my books and handwork helped fill the time. On some stretches, there were volunteers from the Trails and Rails park service to point out areas of interest and to give some history of the areas through which I was traveling. At times the train was leaving and/or arriving at rather late hours so was thankful for the people who came to pick me up. I'm also thankful to have had a blanket and sweater since the train was chilly.

I was able to visit several churches and attend Bible studies, and so thankful for opportunities to speak about the work the Lord is doing in Northeast Brazil. I had a great time visiting points of interest along the west coast but sorry that for various reasons I wasn't able to visit everyone on my list this time in the States.

Your giving to my ministry is cause for thankfulness. Please continue in prayer for the shortage in my support level.

*Lucy Lieb*