

# PETER DYRBERG VIBEDE

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Hi All

It is time for an update.

Northern Florida did not pan out. The market for Joni showed out to be indifferent. We decided to attempt the Greater Birmingham area. Joni is still known after all these years and her siblings and a few friends lives here.



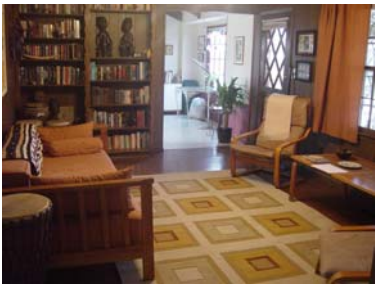
We are almost finished setting up residence and workplace in a rented 3-bedroom house with a big basement and garden in a quiet neighborhood less than a mile from I-20/59. We are 25 minutes from the airport and less from Downtown. The landlord is the Catholic Church, so maybe the Gods are looking after us this time.

Our old tested furniture made it, with the exception of the living room glass tabletop and five glass or porcelain pieces, but there were a lot of cleaning and small repair jobs to be done. 7 months in storage left their mark, but nothing that couldn't be handled with soap and water and a little oil. Of course we missed Kebba, Edrissa and Charles to do the cleaning and moving, but we are now in the South where you actually have to pay people to work for you. Joni's brother-in-law Jim has been most helpful, both in person and with his breakfast buddies.

Currently we have the middle floor ready. It has our bedroom and general living quarters including a nice screened porch. Next week is the basement with Joni's lab and the garage. The equipment is new and has just arrived. Upstairs is a guest room, which is waiting for you, and Peter's office, which is a mess at this time and waiting for the basement to finish.



The weather here changes a lot. After one week of Spring with wonderful warm sunny days and cool nights, we now have Winter with near freezing at night. We have had rains, but not much – the water reservoirs are low. The garden looks like it need a loving hand, but has definitely been tended by somebody.



There are a lot of construction activities in this area, and business seems to be doing well. Many people find the slower pace and cheaper living of the South appealing. We have three different foreign car manufacturers in the state. UAB (University of Alabama) is a serious health care provider and has very good grants for medical research, inviting out of state (and country) top scientists. We hope to be able to connect and find a few friends amongst those. We have always enjoyed having International friends, and they a good meal and interesting company.

Back to the moving boxes.

Miss y'all, have fun  
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