West Indies Field Director & Deputation Director



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The year has already started off fast and does not look to be slowing down anytime soon. Inclement weather forced us to reschedule a few meetings at the start of the year, but we will make up for that over the next few weeks. Our schedule has already taken us out to Oklahoma City. Over the next ten days, it will take us to Nashville to preach at a missions conference, Memphis to preach at the Pioneer Church Planters Fellowship, and then to West Virginia to do a missions workshop and preach their missions emphasis. Then we head to South Carolina, Florida, Georgia, and North Carolina before our next letter. This upcoming year is packed full of ministry in both the USA, Brazil, and the Caribbean. We do this all with one goal: to see more people respond to God's call to reach the world.

With that being said, I want to ask you to join me in prayer about a very disturbing trend we are seeing. For years, there have always been more missionaries being sent than dollars available to send them. Pastors always had a stack of missionary packets from which to choose, but that has changed. Over the past year, I have heard from multiple pastors saying they are struggling to fill their missions conferences, especially with missionaries going to foreign fields. Even our foreign-bound Macedonia missionaries are booked many months in advance. This seems to show that there are dollars available to send missionaries, but no one responding to the call. We need to see that change. We pray God will show us a way we can do more to help people see the need for world evangelization.

On the home front, we are so thankful to have Lincoln and Lauren home from college for Christmas and to spend time together as a family. Naomi has been feeling well, but she had a few abnormal test results the last time she went to the doctor. The doctor decided it would be best to do a biopsy as a preventative to see what is going on inside and catch any problems early. The biopsy was done last week, and we are waiting for test results. God already knows the result, so there is no reason to worry.

Thank you for keeping us in your prayers. We love serving the Lord.









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