## Praises

- 92% support!
- Corban got his 1st passport
- Money provided for Michael's plane tickets
- Commissioning service date set
- Safety and a good missions conference in Aruba
- New supporting churches

## **Prayer Needs**

- Health
- Wisdom for a departure date
- Openings with doctors in Australia
- Continued safety on the road
- Full support in His timing

## **Support Level**

• 92%

Dear Brothers and Sisters.

July-August 2017

The feeling we had when we realized that we surpassed the first 10% of our needed support is still fresh upon our minds. Last month, we found out that we have less the 10% left before we make our way to the Solomon Islands. We are both excited and a little overwhelmed because we have much to do before we go. Officially, we stand at 92% of our needed support. We were also excited to receive our updated passports along with Corban's first passport. These events were exciting steps toward the Solomon Islands. God is so good and all the glory goes to Him for the blessings we have received.

These next few months will be very busy in preparation for the Solomon Islands. We have meetings scheduled through October, and in November, we will begin the process of packing for the move. Please be in prayer as I work to get the right shipping company that is cost effective and trustworthy. Also, pray that God will give us wisdom in what to bring and not bring with us to the Solomons. We want the packing to be as stress-free and streamlined as possible.

Because of the generosity of a church's VBS offering, I was able to purchase tickets for a solo trip to the Solomons for November 28th - December 8th. This trip will allow me to submit paperwork to get the process for our visas started and Lord willing get a house rented. That way when we arrive, we will have a home to settle into. We hope to be able to ship our container right before that trip, but are still working through those details.

We are asking everyone to pray with us about our departure date! We have scheduled our commissioning date for January 7th, 2018. Our desire is to leave shortly thereafter, and we are watching ticket prices and dates. We are praying that the Lord will give clear direction in His perfect timing. We are praying that through the whole process, though it can be tiresome at times, that God will give us patience and wisdom.

I was invited to preach the first missions conference for Iglesia Bautista Berea de Aruba (Berea Baptist Church of Aruba). My brother-in-law, Matt Shields, is the pastor of the church and has seen wonderful growth in the the church since he started it over a year ago. It was a tremendous blessing to be involved in their missions conference, meet the people and spend time with our family. We just arrived back to the States last night, and continue to have a full schedule of meetings. Please pray for safety as we travel and that the remainder of our support will come in soon.

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We are excited to announce that we have begun doing weekly video updates on YouTube. These vlogs will allow you a small glimpse into our week, to better be a part of our ministry. Our channel name is <u>The Deatrick Family</u>, so if you type that into the search bar, it should come right up. You can subscribe to our channel to receive notifications when a new video is posted. Our goal is to upload these videos onto Vimeo so that our supporting churches will have the availability to download them and show them in church if they so desire. We will send out an email with the info when we have gotten that established.

Thank you all so much for your prayers. We thank you for all the encouragement that we receive after we send these updates out. That means more to us than you know. Thank you for partnering with us in fulfilling what God has called us to do in the Solomon Islands. May God bless you all.

All for Him,

Michael, Nora and Corban Deatrick