

Happy New Year!!

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Yes, it does feel like 2023 went by so quickly, but we are grateful for everything that God has done over this past year. God gave us some very special opportunities in 2023. It was also such an encouragement to watch God provide for each project. We are so thankful for the churches that faithfully pray for us and financially support us. Each church represents many individuals who give sacrificially to support missions around the world and without your sacrifice our ministry would not be possible.

One of the opportunities God gave us in 2023 was that Nathan was able to travel to Bagdad, Iraq. The purpose of the trip was to be able to create an informational/promotional video for the building of a Christian School there in Bagdad. Unfortunately, with the current unrest in the middle east, the school project has been placed on hold, and we were asked to wait on producing the video. God has a perfect plan for this project and knows the future far better than we do. Please pray that in God's timing this project will be able to move forward.

While we are disappointed not to be able to share with you a video about the school in Iraq, we want to share a video with you that will hopefully help you lift up your eyes and look on the mission field of Iraq. However, it needs some explanation. For several years I (Nathan) have been running a YouTube channel related to hunting and fishing. This has been a hobby but also provides some supplemental income for our family. Shortly, before my trip to Iraq, a pastor friend suggested that I share more about our ministry on that YouTube channel. I took his advice and created a video about my trip to Iraq. As you watch the video, keep in mind it was produced for people unfamiliar with our ministry and who may also not know the Lord as their Savior. I hope you will take a few minutes to watch the video linked below.



In our last prayer letter we shared about our first music video project. It was a new adventure for us and stretched us in new ways. We wanted to share it with you in the last letter, but we wanted to wait until the school had their official presentation. So we are excited to share it with you now.



This fall we spent some time putting a renewed focus on our deputation and support raising. While scheduling meetings as a helps-ministry can be difficult, we praise the Lord for several meetings scheduled for the coming year, and 2 new churches who have partnered with is in the last few months. Please continue to pray that God would provide more churches to partner with us.

Sometimes the holiday season can also be a slow time for us, but this year God gave us a missionary project for a family who had returned to the States for furlough. Then in December we had the opportunity to make a quick trip to Florida to do video recording of a week long conference on the book of Revelation.



Our kids playing with the Daku's kids while the parents worked together on a furlough video.

Nathan, presenting the ministry during a missions conference at Dry Run Independent Baptist Church, one of our new supporting churches.





Recording Brother Danny Whetstone preach a series of messages on the book of Revelation.

As we begin this new year it's exciting to see the opportunities that this year may hold. We are currently praying about trips to the country of Ecuador and to the western United States as well as other smaller trips throughout the year.

Each year slips by so quickly and the end of the harvest is coming; may each of us keep our eyes on our Savior and look at what He is seeing. As Jesus walked this with his disciples, he commanded them to "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." The same still holds true for us today. Let us not become distracted with the business of life, but rather that we would see the Harvest and our hearts would be moved with the compassion of our Savior. He will show each one of us the work that He has for in the harvest if we would ask Him.

Nathan, Hannah, Grace and Micah Fry Lens of the Harvest