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Dear Friends, Family and Lifeline Holders,

It is truly a blessing to report to you again that God has not put this old missionary away just yet. It is an honor and blessing to serve our Lord with you.

God has blessed us with open doors to report the work He did in our last term. We have had meetings in Georgia and Virginia. We had the privilege to preach a mission conference in Virginia and report to another nearby church. One young man made a profession of faith in Jesus Christ as his Savior. The churches gave us a very warm welcome and cared for us wonderfully.

We were also tremendously blessed to attend the annual Family Week with our mission family. We are very thankful to be a part of the family of World Wide New Testament Baptist Mission. It was a blessing for some of the ladies to help with Doris when I was otherwise occupied. Each of them did it willingly, and it was an excellent help. The Memorial Baptist Church in Ocala, Florida, did a great work in hosting the week's meeting. The office staff also did a great job in organizing the meeting. Doris is still enjoying the traveling. We praise God for that and pray that she will be able to continue in that way.

Your prayers have been requested for God to lead us to and in some ministry that we can serve Him. During the Family Week, we had the privilege to meet with our mission board members to seek their wisdom and input. Of course, they do not do the calling, but the pastors and men that make up the board are a great source of wisdom for an old missionary. Of course, we have been in much prayer concerning the same issue. As long as God gives strength and ability, we want to serve Him in whatever way He deems right.

I was asked where my heart is. My unquestionable answer is Guam and the islands. However, unless God does a real miracle, Doris will not be able to return to the islands; thus, narrowing our ministry to some place here in the mainland. The only ministry that comes to my mind is to travel and represent the Lord and World Wide New Testament Baptist Missions in helping churches promote missions and try to reach some laborers to go to the harvest field. The mission board kindly agreed to allow us to serve the mission in that ministry. I am grateful for the open door and will do our utmost to do work for God that will please Him. We need your prayers in this transition. We still plan to report to all of our churches that have so faithfully stood with us for these many years. We hope that we can continue in that relationship in this new work. If there are any questions, opportunities or information that you have to share with us, please feel free to give us a call or send an e-mail to the address/phone numbers listed above.

Thank you all for your patience with us in this past year as we have had the challenges of relocation, refurbishing and reestablishing our business. The time was prolonged due to the theft of property and documents that were stolen and the re-establishing of medical help for Doris. We are blessed to have a place to live and family to support and stand with us.

We have already reported to a good number of our churches. Pastor, if we have not reported to your church, we will be calling soon to seek your will in fulfilling this responsibility.

Glory to God for His mercy and grace that allows an old missionary a place to do His work. We are very thankful to Him for His blessings. We are also very thankful for the saints of God that are friends indeed and lifeline holders. From the depth of our hearts, THANK YOU! We will be praying for you and your work also. We love and appreciate you. **Please pray for my sister, Barbara Blackstock. She has lymphoma.**

Because of Christ,

*Elwood and Doris Hurst*