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Dear Pastors, supporting churches and praying friends,

Family Week

Once a year, WWNTBM organizes a family week where all the missionaries currently on deputation or on furlough will meet for a time of encouragement, fellowship, preaching, exhortation, and, yes, you guessed it, food! This year's theme for the meeting: "For God so loved the world", was a vital reminder that truth must be given in Love. How shall the world know that we are the disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ? if we have love one for another (John 13:35). Several of the sessions on "what I learned about the ministry" were given by veteran missionaries and were of great help and encouragement to Julie and I.

VBS in California

We praise the Lord for the opportunity to present our ministry to Pastor Perry and Faith Baptist Church in Folsom, CA. This was our first meeting in California and what a great one it was! We presented our ministry on the Lord's day and helped with their Vacation Bible School from Monday to Wednesday. Pastor Perry gave me the privilege to minister to the children through a series of messages regarding "Serving God in my Family" on Monday, "Serving God in my Church" on Tuesday, and "The Gospel" on Wednesday. I thank God for the honor to teach children God's word. We also met for lunch with different families of the church. These times were especially a blessing as we were encouraged by the testimonies of God's children and what great things God had done, not only for us, but for them and their family.

Summer in Texas

We are now in Texas. We arrived in Missouri City, TX on June 29th and have had a great first meeting. The Lord has already allowed us to schedule 27 meetings in this big state and we are eager to see what God will do "Deep in the Heart of Texas". Most of you know that we are praying for 100% of our needed support by the end of this year. If 25% would be raised in just Texas this summer, we would be well on our way to reach this goal. We are now receiving 48% of our needed financial support and have been promised 57%. Praise God from whom all blessings flow! We are also still receiving e-mails from many friends that we have met several months ago and are so encouraged to know that they have often taken the time to send us a quick note, letting us know that they are praying for us. What blessing and encouragement that is.

Thank you for your prayers and support.
In Christ,

Stephen & Julie Knickerbocker

*"By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples,
if ye have love one to another" - John 13:35*

Prayer Requests

-Salvation of lost souls around us as we give the Gospel
-Protection on the road
-Wisdom in scheduling meetings
-More supporting churches
-Endurance as we present our ministry and burden
-100% of needed support by the end of the year
-for 25% to be raised in Texas
- We will soon be applying for our visas to Burkina Faso for this December's planned trip.

Praises

-We are at 57% of our needed financial support.
-The car is running good.
-Our plane trips to Puerto Rico and California had no complications

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• **Birthdays**
• Stephen 9/15
• Julie 9/26
• Anniversary 8/7