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## World Wide New Testament Baptist Missions

Dear Praying Friends,

To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted...He hath made everything beautiful in his time...

**A time of Rejoicing.** We rejoice in the goodness of God this quarter. Truly God's work is beautiful. We rejoice that He has given us the privilege to serve missionary families around the world. We rejoice in the many souls saved. We rejoice in the lives transformed. We rejoice in the safe arrival of several missionary families who have returned on furlough. We rejoice in the progress of many of our new missionaries raising support and eagerly await their arrival on the field. We rejoice in the faithful service of you who faithfully give and pray to make all of this possible.

**A time of sowing.** Without the work of sowing, there would be no reaping. God has allowed us to preach in several churches for missions conferences. These conferences are an essential time of sowing and appealing to God's church to offer themselves as laborers in His harvest field. The need is great. The harvest is plenteous, but the laborers are few. Please pray with us that God will raise up many more laborers from these times of sowing.

A time of grieving. At the end of March, our founder, Pastor Bill Wingard, went to be with the Lord. Fifty years ago, as a result of his burden to get the Gospel to the world, World Wide New Testament Baptist Missions was born. What great sadness it brought to see him go, but what a great joy it must be for him to be with his Savior and meet the host of the redeemed for whom he so earnestly prayed.

**A time of trusting.** These past months have brought many ups and downs with Esther's health. Her body has been fighting to keep her disease from flaring. The medicine she was on failed, and she began a new one that seems to help but brings some rough side effects along with it. As always, God gives grace on the tough days, and we trust His plan to use this in all of our lives to bring Him glory.



**A time of thankfulness.** Thank you for your faithful prayers and support. Your role in the Great Commission is just as important as those on the field. As we read in Romans, "And how shall they preach except they be **sent**." Your role as a sender of missionaries is vital as it enables the Gospel of peace to reach distant shores. Thank you for your partnership in the Gospel!

With Grateful Hearts, Jeremy and Esther Lockhart