



SERVANTS HELPING IN THE MINISTRY

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*"The fear of man
bringeth a snare: but
whoso putteth his trust in the
Lord shall be safe. Every word of God is pure:
he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him."* Proverbs
29:25 & 30:5

In my daily reading of Proverbs, I was once again awed by the truth of Proverbs 29:5. Allow me to reflect. In March, 2020, Satan unloaded COVID 19 on us. After all these months, the fear and anxiety have not abated much, and the masses are still being snared by the fear of man. Lies abound; confusion is overwhelming; the devil is pulling out all the stops to keep you and me from faithfully serving Him. Allow me to repeat. It amazes me how people today put their trust in government, in health care officials, in news media outlets, and in other channels of gloom and doom, and all it has brought them is fear. That fear has certainly snared them and enslaved them. The fear of man bringeth a snare. Allow me to remind. I am so glad that our trust is in the Lord. After all these months, it still remains true that "whoso putteth his trust in the Lord SHALL BE SAFE." Nothing should stop the child of God from serving Him. Nothing (not even COVID) should control the man or woman whose trust is in the Almighty. I hope you are putting your trust in Him. I pray that God will strip you of all fear and give you the peace that passeth all understanding. Allow me to once again report to you that we are safe; we are at peace; and we are still heralding the truth that all is well with our souls. We thank God for the truth of Proverbs 29:25. We will not allow the fear that grips mankind today to keep us from trusting our God and our Savior Jesus Christ nor from serving Him. Our Lord continues to keep us safe and healthy, and we are grateful.

As we mentioned in our last prayer letter, we were not able to schedule any meetings for the month of August, but once again, God is in control, and we are grateful that He gave us the month to put our ministry of helps to work. We have had the continued privilege of helping Fellowship Baptist Church in Williamston, NC.

As I have mentioned in the past, Fellowship is without a pastor, and God has allowed me to fill in as their interim pastor. It has been a blessing preaching the Word of God there and teaching these dear folks. God has blessed us with a

great opportunity to help them in their search for a pastor. We have had at least two new families visit, and some folks that have not been in church for a while are starting to return. Please pray that God will send just the right man to be this church's pastor. Please pray that God would help me guide this church in their search. Pray that I will have the wisdom and discernment needed during this time.

I want to also bring you up-to-date on what is happening with regards to Pohnpei. As you already know the borders are closed, and we are unable to go there to help. These borders remain closed. As you know from past letters, our desire and plan was to relieve Gabriel Eiben and his family, but even this has changed. In May, Gabriel had to make the difficult decision to leave Pohnpei due to some serious health issues involving his wife. The Eiben family is now in the States on emergency medical furlough. A young couple in their church in Pohnpei is tending the radio station while they are gone. Until further notice, even the Eibens cannot return to Pohnpei because of the travel restrictions. None of this has taken God by surprise, but it does change what the future may hold for us. Please pray that Gabriel and his wife will be able to find just the right doctors to treat her. Pray that God would heal her. Pray that God would show us just what He has in store for us with regards to eventually helping this dear family. We realize that this door may be closed, but we nonetheless want God to have His perfect will. Pray that God will keep them safe in their travels and in their endeavors.

Hind sight is always 20/20, and we can now see several reasons why God closed the door to going to Pohnpei. It has allowed us to be home to tend to the issues concerning the death of Marilee's father. It also allowed us more time to continue to raise our support. And it has given us the blessed privilege of helping a very needy church.

Thank you for your prayers and continued support. Thank you for the encouraging letters, phone calls, and emails.

Continue to pray for us. We already have meetings scheduled in September. Pray for our safe travels. May God bless each of you, and may the truth of Proverbs 29:5 bring peace and comfort to you in the difficult days ahead!

Sincerely In Christ,
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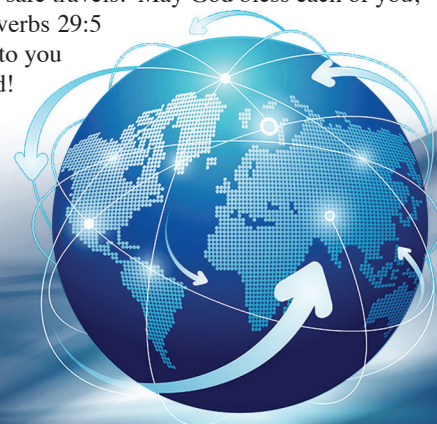
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