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"I will extol thee, my God, O King; and I will bless thy name for ever and ever. Every day will I bless thee; and I will praise thy name for ever and ever. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; and his greatness is unsearchable." Psalm 145:1-3

In our last prayer letter we mentioned to you that our support level was at 80%. Things have changed a bit, and now our support level is at 79%. During the month of March, one of our supporting churches dropped our support altogether citing dwindling numbers and COVID related fears. Another church has been forced to reduce our support by half. This second church is going through some fiery trials right now, and I would ask you to pray for them. How has this affected us? Different people respond and react in different ways to the testings God sends their way. God has designed trials and temptations to purify and strengthen His children. We all face trials; we all face temptations; we all find ourselves being "put to the test" at one time or another. All of us know that some people go through much deeper valleys than others, but God is faithful and has promised us that we will be able to escape as He gives strength. I simply want you to know that we are not discouraged, and we have responded in the only way we know how. We are claiming Psalm 145, and praising the name of our God and His goodness to us. Everything we have and everything we receive is a gift of God. The Lord has given and the Lord has taken away; blessed be name of the Lord. We are trying to live out the truth of Job 23:10. "But he knoweth the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold." We praise the Lord for new support. The blow of dropped support was not as severe as could have been because we have two new supporters. We thank Pastor Aaron Campbell and Glory Baptist Church in Indianapolis, IN for taking us on for support in March. We also thank the Lord that a former missionary couple has taken us on. To God be the glory, great things He hath done!

We began the month (March 2-6) in Asheboro, NC, where we participated in a mission's conference hosted by Fayetteville Street Baptist Church. We want to thank Randy Browder and his people for allowing us to come and be a part of this wonderful conference. I had the opportunity to preach the opening Wednesday service.

On Friday morning I had the privilege of preaching in both elementary and high school chapels. On Friday night,

I presented our mission work and shared our burden. It was a great conference, and we enjoyed the fellowship so much.

On March 10, I had the opportunity to fill the pulpit at Lighthouse Baptist Church in Washington, NC. Pastor Brian Alphin was on vacation. What a blessing it was to fill in for the pastor of one of our supporting churches.

The weekend of March 11-13, I had the privilege of being with Lighthouse Baptist Church in Welcome, NC to attend a men's retreat. It was a blessing to see so many men in attendance. It was a joy to join my son-in-law and grandson for this edifying weekend. On Sunday we had the privilege of seeing a missionary family be commissioned by Lighthouse Baptist. Please pray for Taylor and Lynsey Cranfill, church planters to Chicago.

I had the opportunity to spend Tuesday morning, March 15, at Fellowship Baptist Church in Clayton, NC and help with their annual spring fundraiser for their radio station. It was a good time of fellowship, and I was able to use my "radio voice" that everyone says I have.

On March 27, I preached at Concord Bible Church in Concord, NC. I was filling in for Pastor Tom Sandquist who has recently been diagnosed with a spinal lesion that could eventually lead to paralysis. Please pray for Brother Sandquist and for Concord Bible Church. The church has asked me to fill the pulpit beginning May 29 through July 31. During this time Pastor Sandquist will be on a medical sabbatical and is hoping to have surgery during this time. We have agreed and would covet your prayers as we try to help this hurting church.

Continue to pray for us as we prepare ourselves to relieve missionaries Roger and Elizabeth Workman at the end of September. Please join us in praying for a successful time on the island of Tinian.

Pray that our support level will increase. Again, we are not worried, but we do ask that you partner with us in prayer and ask God to get our support well past 80%. God is all sufficient, and we are trusting him. Thank you for your prayers, your support, and your encouragement! God bless each one of you in the days ahead.

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