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"Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus." - Romans 3:24

Greetings From The Country of England.

I have mentioned to you that we have been studying the book of Proverbs on Wednesday nights. I came to Proverbs 3:33, and found myself interested in the words "the just." Those words are mentioned sixteen times in the book of Proverbs. This has led me to preach on the doctrine of justification. What a joy it is to know that in spite of the truth that all have sinned and come short of the glory of God, we have been justified. We have been declared not guilty through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. We have been declared innocent because we put our faith and trust in the shed blood of Jesus Christ. I am so thankful that Christ took my place and shed His blood for the remission of my sins. Almighty God, the Judge of all the earth has heard my cry and pardoned me for all eternity. Praise God that it is well with my soul, knowing that I have been cleansed; I have been redeemed; I have received a full pardon; I have been declared not guilty! I am so thankful for the day that I called upon Him, and He justified me freely by His grace!!

In a myriad of ways the Lord has certainly kept us busy through the month of May. On May 4, one of our mothers, Joy, went into labor and spent quite a bit of time in the hospital. Her husband, Kunle, kept a vigil by her side. Marilee and I were asked to care for their four year old daughter, Dorothy, until the new baby arrived. For two days, we became "grandparents" as we tried to be a help and encouragement to Kunle and Joy. This was a first for us, but we were glad to help out. Joy delivered a healthy baby girl, and they have named her Grace.

On May 12, we had the unique experience of accompanying one of our ladies, Samina, to a swearing in ceremony in Kettering, the county seat of this county. Samina is from India, and she has acquired her British citizenship. We had the privilege of witnessing her being sworn in as a new British citizen. The ceremony was unique, educational, and a real opportunity to see the British government at work. It was quite a perspective from this American's viewpoint. It was a privilege to be an encouragement to Samina on this momentous occasion in her life.

On May 14, one of the ladies in our church, Maureen, took us out to lunch to a very special tea house. The entire décor was dated back to WWII. The atmosphere, the music, and even the silverware took us back to the 1940's. The restaurant itself was used during WWII as a safe haven during the German air blitzkrieg of London. It was a unique experience, and we are so thankful for the love and kindness that the folks here (like Maureen) show to us on a regular basis. By the way, the name of the tea house is The Blitz!

During that same week, we went to Kunle's and Joy's house for a baby dedication ceremony for their newly born daughter, Grace. They are from Nigeria, and it was a joy to meet family members and to get a taste of Nigerian food and customs. We hope our time with them and the challenge to them will result in some of their family members being saved.

I continue in my Sunday and Wednesday preaching and thank God for the grace He has given me to minister to the people of Lifegate Baptist Church. We are encouraged by the fact that many more people are coming to church on Sunday nights and Wednesday nights. I thank God for giving me ample time to study as I labor in the word of God and doctrine. We continue to have new visitors join us; we ask you to pray for their salvation. Our Saturday morning outreach is going well. One of the men in the church, Colin, has been a real blessing as he takes us to new neighborhoods and helps us navigate this region of England. Colin often takes us to new towns and villages after outreach and shares with us the history. He knows my love for history, and it is everywhere you look.

We are grateful and appreciate so much your prayers and your support. You continue to be an encouragement to us as we labor here in Corby, England. We have been here for four months now, and praise God for making us feel right at home. We love the people whom God has placed in our care and are so thankful that God has given us this wonderful opportunity to serve Him here. God bless you and keep you as you serve Him

there in the States.

Sincerely In Christ,

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"Marilee and I with Samina and a representative of King Charles III right after the swearing in ceremony."



"In early May, our piano player, Adryenne, left to go to Los Angeles for an internship program. Pictured here is Rebecca, who stepped up to the plate and volunteered to play for us until Adryenne returns. Praise God for laying it on this godly woman's heart to help with the music."



"Marilee and I at the dedication of little baby Grace with her father, Kunle, her mother, Joy, and her "big" sister Dorothy."



"Here we are at The Blitz with Maureen. Our server gave us the WWII headwear. I was relegated to a doughboy while the ladies donned officer caps."



"Marilee with our temporary "granddaughter," Dorothy. We were feeding ducks at a lake within walking distance of our house here in Corby."



"Colin, Sr. and I are waiting for Marilee outside a gift shop located in an over 500 year old building in one of the villages in our county. We had just finished a Saturday morning outreach ministry."