

MILITARY MISSIONARIES SERVING GOD IN ENGLAND

Friends,

30 May 2020

Our last update was at the beginning of the shutdown and we were on our way to a missions conference in Georgia. It was two full months before we were able to present our ministry in another church, but I preached and presented in an online missions conference for Northwest Baptist Church in Marysville, Washington.

The time off the road was not exactly welcomed, but it did give us a chance to do some home repairs and determine the need for more. Then as things did begin to open back up, we had something that needed to be fixed on each vehicle. God either provided in advance to meet these needs or will in the near future! The only one that persists is an airbag system warning light in the truck that needs to be remedied before it will pass inspection.

Faithfulness

Let me share an encouraging, and sometimes challenging, verse with you: "Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful." I Corinthians 4:2 I want to praise the Lord for our faithful supporters, be they churches or individuals, who have continued to provide for our needs. No doubt there are many out there giving sacrificially, putting God's work before their own interests, and—to use the analogy of Elijah—making a cake for the man of God before they make one for themselves. God, Who sees what you do secretly, will reward you openly!

Up next

We travel this weekend to Maryland, and then spend most of June in North and South Carolina in consecutive meetings. Pray that God will send us some meetings in the last half of June and first part of July. A year ago, we had this same shortage of meetings but were able to fill them in the months leading up to the summer. This time around, it's been even harder than normal to get responses from pastors, and understandably so. Most don't know when their states will allow their churches to operate at full capacity.

Pressing toward the mark ...

We're at 56% actual support right now. The growth has been understandably slow during this crisis, and we've pushed back our expected departure date to the spring of 2021. I'd prefer better news or a more precise date, but we literally have no data or trends anymore to help us make concrete plans. After a few months of steady meetings, perhaps we can make a more definite assessment.

What can you pray about?

- Scheduling and rescheduling as churches are able to resume services
- More fruit in soulwinning
- That upcoming repairs on our house to prepare it for sale will be inexpensive
- Spiritual growth in our own lives as God uses circumstances to shape us
- Continued reopening of churches where we can be in more meetings
- Health of those in our supporting churches
- Pastors of those supporting churches as they make decisions that honor God and that serve their congregations



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