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We are in California! We thank the Lord for the smooth travels from Iowa to California. Thank you for praying. Please continue. Our van has over 190,000 miles on it, but we know that the Lord can keep it running just as long as He deems necessary.

July was “hang out at home” month. We attended our home church of Community Baptist in Ankeny for one Sunday. The last Sunday in June and one Sunday in July, Dave did pulpit supply in a couple of Iowa churches. Patti participated in the MK (Missionary Kid) reunion of Continental Baptist Mission and was even privileged to “do” a workshop during the week. We spent some special Mondays with our daughter, Rose, as we went to a zoo, a science museum, and a botanical center during the month. Finishing up organizing the apartment, getting set up and ready for the next school year (on the road), having doctor appointments, and plain old “catch-up” was on the docket for the month. We also got to spend time with our supporters (1 couple and the pastor & family of our supporting church) as well as touch bases with other pastors. The three guys even went to a minor league baseball game with some men from Fellowship Baptist in Des Moines. It was a great month.



To top it off, we had the privilege of being able to present our ministry in two churches. Visiting Faith Baptist Church in Rhinelander, Wisconsin, was special because we knew many of the people there. It was a special time of visiting with Pastor and Mrs. Ring and many others with whom we have ministered over the years.

The last weekend of July, we were at East Delavan Baptist Church in Delavan, Wisconsin, with Pastor and Mrs. Hollenbeck. It was a blessing to be allowed to give a brief testimony in their Spanish church service and their deaf church service as well as ministry in the English services. The church is quite diverse and we enjoyed every aspect of the ministry there. What a joy to meet the Hollenbecks and serve in the church for the day.

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This month:

Praises:

For safety in travel!

Rose is now considered full-time and even got a raise.

Doug has been promoted to Lance Corporal.

We were able to set up our laptops as a home office network which should work well for school in the van.

We are starting to get meetings for 2014.

Prayer Requests:

Meetings:

August 4 - Cornerstone Baptist Church, Pleasant Hill, CA

August 11 - Vallejo Bible Church, Vallejo, CA

August 18 - Elmira Baptist Church, Elmira, CA

August 25 - Berean Baptist Church, Fairfield, CA

September 1 - Nehalum Valley Bible Church, Vernonia, OR

September 15 - South Gardiner Baptist Church, South Gardiner, ME

September 18 - Faith Baptist Church, Palmer, MA

September 22 - Cornerstone Baptist Church, Scarborough, ME

September 29 - Lighthouse Baptist Church, Farmingdale, ME

Other Requests:

For our continued safety in travel and continued good health

That our ministry will be a blessing to others

For more meetings for 2014

For more who are able to give financial support

For Stephen (and us) as he learns to drive (just received instruction permit)

Our "home" phone number is our cell phone, so please remember that you may still contact us using that number. 515.965.9047

Thank you for standing with us in prayer,

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