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Dear Prayer Partners,

Thank you for your continuing ministry of prayer on our behalf.

We enjoyed lingering a little longer in the tropics before we headed back home to Iowa. Our last Sunday in February, however, was spent in Maryland and that was a good point of re-entry to the winter that most of the country has been experiencing. Patti is already making plans for us to retire to Florida. For my part I am not ready to retire!

We enjoyed the fellowship of churches in Plantation, Naples and St. Cloud, Florida. We had the joy once again to visit with old friends and make new ones. On our way to Cascade and Hagerstown, Maryland, we visited with relatives and friends of ours from our ministry in Hawaii many years ago. Though often challenging, this interaction with fellow servants of the Lord and sharing our ministry with these churches make deputation a gratifying and beneficial experience all the way around. We are grateful for all you dear souls who showed us your hospitality.

There are many aspects to our pre-field ministry that rate comment. One aspect is shared by both the churches and us. As we pack our van and drive the hundreds of miles to minister in the churches and as the churches choose to partner with us in some way (either temporarily or for the long term), a great deal of faith is required. For our part, the Lord puts us significantly on the “stretch.” Nearly every experience we have while planning, traveling and living out this ministry causes us to look to the Lord to guide, protect and provide for the way. There are few things as exciting and terrifying as the exercising of faith. The hope of training nationals in South America for God’s glory and your prayers are what makes it all worthwhile.



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Praises:

Safe travels in Florida, Maryland and then back to Iowa
The scheduling of two new meetings in the Florida in September
The Lord's continued provision
The faithfulness of our ministry partners
Our daughter's engagement to Aaron Heitzer
Our son's safe return from the Middle-East

Prayer Requests:

Safety on the roads
Fruitful ministry in the churches in terms of souls saved and commitments to serving the Lord
Growth in our list of ministry partners

Upcoming Schedule:

March 23rd – Lena Baptist Church in Lena, Ill
March 30th – Maranatha Baptist Church in Shiocton, WI
April 13th – Wild Rose Baptist Church in Wild Rose, WI
April 27th – Bennington Baptist Church in Omaha, NE

Thank you for standing with us in our efforts to train nationals for leadership roles in Great Commission Ministry.

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