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Happy Mid-March!

According to the weather across the United States mainland, you sure can't tell that spring is on the way. However, spring is right around the corner, and God's Word declares that the seasons will continue year after year. We are looking forward to warmer weather, but are so thankful for the precipitation we have received, and the Lord's protection as we have traveled.

February was a month for "getting back in the saddle."









February 10th, we visited Pastor & Mrs. Wayne Hart and Maranatha Baptist Church in Grimes, Iowa. It was a great time of fellowship. We were privileged to meet a family where the man of the home is an Argentine, and the lady of the house was a MK (Missionary Kid) in Argentina. They are preparing to serve the Latinos in the Houston, TX, area. It was lots of fun to enjoy the Valentine Banquet put on that evening after church.

February 24th, we presented our ministry to Holmen Baptist Church in Holmen, WI, where Pastor Keith Habegger pastors. His son, Benjamin, was one of Dave's interns when we were in Crandon, WI. It was neat to be able to catch up with him. The people of Holmen Baptist were quite welcoming, and it was delight to share with them. A picture of Pastor & Mrs. Habegger was unable to be attained, but we have high hopes to get one soon.

March 3rd started our March meetings as we drove north to Liberty Baptist Church in Antigo, WI. We were able to visit with Pastor & Mrs. Brad Anderson and their church family. What a blessing to meet new people and visit with those whom we had already known. (We missed having Mike and Steve with us as they stayed in Ankeny to attend a wedding. They were so excited to go to the wedding, and we are thankful that they were able to do so.) Before heading back to lowa, we traveled through Crandon and Rhinelander, WI, where we were able to see some who were a great part of our lives while we were in Crandon. We look forward to future ministry with them this year.

March 10th, we trekked north into Wisconsin again in order to fellowship with First Baptist Church of Plainfield. Pastor and Mrs. Tom Gaudet were most hospitable and welcoming. It was a delight to spend time with their church family. The Lord once again protected us through our traveling as the main thing with which

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we had to contend was dense fog. Piles of snow were dumped where we had been shortly after our passing through.

Our daughter, Rose, has given her notice to the parents of the children for whom she is a nanny. The situation has changed dramatically since she started working for them. Although it was hard for her to resign, it was necessary for safety and well-being reasons. She will remain until the end of March at which time she is planning to move to Greenville, SC. At this point, she has no housing and no job. She has been applying and we have been putting feelers out. Rose will need inexpensive (to free) housing for a couple of weeks to get her feet on the ground. Please pray for everything to fall in line for her, as it is difficult for her to deal with these issues when she is in CT, and desiring to relocate to SC. (If you have any leads, we would love to hear them!)

This month as you pray:

PRAISE:

Many meetings lined up for 2013

Mike & Steve getting to do some things with their youth group
Seeing friends while at churches and while traveling
Travel safety and van safety

PRAYER:

Meetings:

March 17 — First Baptist Church — Barron, WI

April 7 — First Baptist Church — Troy, MI

April 14 — Grace Baptist Church — Chariton, IA

April 21 — Fellowship Baptist Church — Des Moines, IA

April 28 — Faith Baptist Church — Adams, WI

For more meetings to fill out our 2013 schedule

For financial support

For Dave as he works on administrative type items in preparation for the college

For wisdom as we consider future changes

For Rose as she prepares to transition to another position at the end of the month

For Doug as he serves our country on foreign soil (US Marine)

Thank you for standing with us in prayer,

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