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We closed out the year with our annual "Mission Fest" held at the church in Pasig. We invited Global Surge Churches to come to this celebration of cross-cultural missions. The goal is to challenge churches and individuals to consider doing more in the New Year for global missions.

We had 500 in attendance with several giving their lives for world missionary work. Please pray with us that the Lord will continue to send forth laborers into His harvest. Each church is asked to represent a country in the world and the need for the gospel. This year we emphasized the Indian Ocean Initiative.



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Shalom, Pastor and Church:

October – December 2025

Well, We Will finally Reach the Big 5-0 After Christmas!

No, I'm not talking about our age (69), but somehow, despite all my shortcomings, Debra and I will be married 50 years on December 28! (Yes, we were 10 years old when we got married...just joking). God has indeed blessed us "hundredfold" (Matthew 19:29)

Another Blessing: We Taught a Three-Day Concentrated Study

on **Jewish Evangelism** at Norris Bible Baptist Seminary from November 12-14. We had 25+ students each day from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM (See pictures on the back). Plus, the privilege of feeding them both, spiritually and physically, each day with breakfast, snacks, and lunch. On Friday, they were treated to bagels and lox for breakfast and falafels for lunch. *Some of the topics:*

1. Traced the rise of Amillennialism that gave rise to antisemitism even to this day.
2. Late 1800s - Zionism, Great Britain's treatment of Israel, the League of Nations, and the UN
3. Jewish contributions to the world and the Ashkenazim and Sephardic branches.
4. Sad story of the "church's" mistreatment of Jews and **how to overcome it**.
5. Conceptual Process of J/E – The Apostle Paul gives us the Biblical example in Acts!
6. Cultural (doctrinal) view of the Jewish people – Reform, Conservative, and Orthodox
7. Covenantal Gospel presentation – Our tract booklet – *G-D's GREATEST PROMISE TO Israel*
8. Famous Jewish believers and their impact!
9. Israel's present-day conflict – Gaza and Psalms 83 – "tabernacles of Edom"

Our Virtual Tour of Israel Zoom Class was Enlightening, Impactful, and Practical!

Our teaching series is on the Seven Feasts of Israel. In our fourth part (almost six hours) on the third Spring Feast, the Feast of First Fruits (Jesus' Resurrection was on that day), we covered the last three Levitical Offerings – the Peace, Sin, and Trespass offerings. It was incredibly insightful to see believers in the Old Testament connect their lives with God through offerings of a Burnt (salvation), Meat (sustenance), and Drink (pour your life in service). The Passover Feast also required the Sin Offering (Jesus, our High Priest – Hebrews 4). The eye-opener was that Christ **fulfilled** all those Levitical Offerings...at the Last Supper! We concluded by showing how giving to Missions through our church continues to connect our lives with Christ.

Years ago, I had the privilege to meet Dr. Clifford Clark. He was one of the early leaders who brought Faith Promise to America. I went to his home in Oklahoma, and he told me that Faith Promise was based on precisely what I was teaching – The Five Levitical Offerings. He also, over the course of his ministry, reached many Jewish people for Christ. It was an honor to get to know him as he went on to Glory several years ago.

In our sixth part of the Feast of First Fruits (in January 2026), we will deal with the tithe and complete the teaching on the Feast of First Fruits. ***This series would be great for a Mission Conference or Stewardship meeting. Let me know if you're interested and what dates work for you!***

We pray that your Christmas and New Year celebrations will be special times of worship!

Partakers Together: "of the root and fatness of the olive tree."

Philip Sawilowsky, OTMI Founder and Director

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TO INDONESIA

"DECLARE HIS PRAISE IN THE ISLANDS" - ISAIAH 42:12

October – December 2025 Prayer Letter

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Our furlough travels are winding down as we prepare to enjoy Christmas with family and start packing our bags to return to Indonesia. We have enjoyed our time here in the US, but we are ready and excited to return home to Indonesia. We begin the long journey back on January 21st. We will spend a week at our sending church in Hawaii before we continue to Indonesia on January 29th. While we are in Hawaii, our girls will both be getting baptized at our home church! We are so thankful for their salvations while we have been in Indonesia and are excited to see them baptized.

When we arrive in Indonesia, we will be jumping right back into a full schedule of activity. We will begin the process of moving to our new home in Purworejo. During this upcoming semester I will be completing my thesis for my master's degree at the Indonesian university. Classes at the Bible college begin on February 10th. I am looking forward to leading the spiritual development of the Bible college students.

Dad's Health Update

Many people have been asking about my dad's health. Thank you very much for praying for him. He completed his chemotherapy in August and had follow-up scans in September. The doctor told him that he is very pleased with the results of the treatment. It appears that the places where the cancer was growing have returned to normal. He will be on a weight limit as his bones remain weak. His PSA level is undetectable. They will continue to monitor it while they continue hormone treatment. We are hoping and praying that the cancer will not begin growing again for a long time. Dad is learning to deal with some of the ongoing side effects of his treatment. The doctor says he has already gone through the worst treatment they can give. Praise the Lord!

Prayer and Praises

Please pray for our visa! We are trying to switch to a different visa for religious workers. Our paperwork must pass through several government agencies, and the men doing the leg work are already very busy with pastoring and/or work. We plan to return in about 7 weeks. We will be able to enter on our old visa as it is still active. Waiting for visas is always nerve-racking and even more so as our fellow missionaries who have been on this visa for over 5 years recently had their visa application rejected. Please pray that it will all go quickly and smoothly. Thank you for your prayers and support!




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Dear Pastor,

I thank my God upon every remembrance of you. Philippians 1:3

I trust that 2025 has been a great year for you, your family, and the church that you pastor.

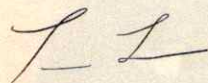
I say this just about every year, but it's true or I wouldn't say it: this past year has been one of our greatest years of ministry ever. We are seeing more people come to Christ and churches revived than ever before! The glory and honor all belong to the Lord!

We are finishing up our schedule for 2026. I hope we can work out a date to be with you this coming year. I want to be with pastors who have a burden for lost people to be saved. I am preaching special Harvest Days, Friend Sundays, and Sundays where our military, police, and firemen are honored. I am still preaching a lot of special men's events, including hunting, fishing, and outdoors events. I am still doing a few Sunday-through-Wednesday revival crusades.

Pastor, if you want to schedule an event at your church, please email me at tim@timlee.org

I will answer your request myself. I look forward to hearing from you.

I pray 2026 will be your best year of ministry ever!



Tim Lee
Evangelist



Christmas 2025

Dear Friend,

It was just after dark, and I had gathered with our kids, our donors, our staff, and my family at the shelter. We formed a circle to mark the night together in prayer and thanksgiving for one another and the gift of God's love in the world.

Two of our Faith Community volunteers were playing guitar and singing "Silent Night" as a prelude to our service . . .

. . . when a shadow appeared outside the window and lingered.

I can't help but be reminded of this story each holiday season. Kevin Ryan, president emeritus, shared it with me, a parting gift that truly illustrates what Covenant House is all about. As I sat down to write this letter, I heard his words, this story of love and hope, and I knew I needed to share it with you again today.

I pray this story, an embodiment of the spirit of what Covenant House can do, moves you to be a part of blessing our youth this winter.

The lighting was poor and it was hard to see who was there. The figure was hooded and hunched over. He stood there, looking in, for more than 10 minutes.

I left our circle, walked past the manger and the Christmas tree, and went out the front door to see who was standing there. As I approached, I could tell it was a boy, maybe 16 or 17 years old. He had dark circles under his eyes — he looked exhausted.

"Hi there," I said and offered a handshake. "I'm Kevin, what's your name?"

"Jeremiah." His smile was forced, but he was trying.

"Want to come inside, Jeremiah?" I asked.

He hesitated, not making eye contact, just gently shaking his head back and forth. "Nah, I'm alright. I'm fine here," he said tentatively.

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"Well, you don't look alright. You look tired. Come inside — we have some hot chocolate and Christmas cookies," I offered. But he didn't move. In my book, something has to be really wrong to turn down cookies and hot chocolate on Christmas Eve.

"Look, they're right there," I said, and I pointed inside to the table with Christmas goodies. "Come in from the dark and take a load off."

"How much you charge?" he asked, his face filled with skepticism. "I only have \$26 on me, and I need it. I have to find a place to stay and something to eat, and I need my money."

"We don't charge anything, Jeremiah. Come inside Covenant House with me, okay?" I turned to walk inside, trusting he'd follow, and he did, but slowly.

I held the door for him as we entered, and we could hear the chorus singing the refrain of "Silent Night." The music stopped Jeremiah in his tracks.

"My momma used to sing that song on Christmas." He appeared lost in the memory.

"Where is your mom, Jeremiah?" I asked.

And he took out his wallet and unfolded a faded, creased Polaroid of a young woman with two small children and a mall Santa in front of a cardboard chimney.

"That's me," he said, pointing to the little boy on Santa's right knee. "That's my brother, Ty," he said, pointing to the other toddler. "And that's Momma." Perfect smiles, all of them, even the little ones.

"She died. She had breast cancer six years ago," he said matter-of-factly, as if he'd said it 100 times before. But something in the way he squinted his eyes betrayed the pain that his words did not.

"How about Ty?" I asked.

"We went into foster care and got split up. He lives in a group house somewhere. I haven't seen him in a while."

"Where have you been staying?" I asked.

But he had stopped listening to me. Jeremiah's gaze was fixed on the circle of kids, donors, and staff singing Christmas hymns. He bowed his head and started to shake a bit. His voice broke.

"I got nobody, Mister. It's Christmas, and I got nobody." His eyes had filled, and the tears were starting to spill down his cheeks.

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I asked Jeremiah if he wanted something to eat or whether he needed to rest, but he was intent on the circle and its music.

Then, Father Placid, who was our chaplain for more than 20 years, invited us into the circle by saying, "Let's gather together and make room for everyone in our circle."

We sang, read prayers, and offered one another a "sign of peace," a handshake to express our commitment to one another. Jeremiah took my hand and for the first time made eye contact. "I have nowhere to be right now," he said. "Nowhere. I don't belong in the world."

"Yes, you do, Jeremiah. Right here," I replied. "Peace, son."

"Peace," he whispered.

After the service, we talked and ate cookies and apples and turkey sandwiches (in that order, forgive me!). He started to relax a bit. We watched the kids open presents from our donors. And Jeremiah received some unexpected gifts as well — a backpack, sneakers, and a sweater.

We sang carols, slurped hot chocolate, and felt grateful to be sharing this night inside — in the light and out of the dark of winter.

As Jeremiah, my son John, and I teased each other about who was going to win the Super Bowl, my cell phone rang. Since it was late and the number was from our shelter in New Jersey, I was worried something was amiss. It was.

"Someone stole the kids' Christmas presents," our New Jersey shelter director told me. "They broke in through the back windows and took them all."

God forgive me, but my first reaction was rage. Who steals from homeless kids on Christmas Eve? Where could we find new presents for kids after midnight? How much was it going to cost to fix the broken windows?

It took me a moment to calm down, and Jeremiah noticed how upset I was. I explained the situation to him and made sure he was in the capable care of our shelter team before telling him that I needed to speak with our Covenant House New Jersey team and the police.

"Here," Jeremiah said. "Take this."

He had opened his wallet and taken out the \$26, handing it to me. "They need it more than I do."

My friends sometimes call me Cryin' Ryan for a reason. At that moment, I was undone by the giant generosity of this sweet, broke kid who emptied his pockets to bring

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Christmas to other homeless kids he'd never met.

In just a few weeks it will be Christmas Eve again here at our shelter. **And there will be more Jeremiahs peering through our window outside ...**

They will come to us on Christmas Eve (just as they come the other 364 nights) from our biggest cities and the smallest towns. They'll be from down your street and halfway across America. Girls, boys, kids ... in all shapes and sizes.

But as different as they all are, these kids will have one thing in common. **They will be standing outside on Christmas Eve because they are alone.** Without a family. Without anyone who cares what happens to them that night, or any night.

Please ... will you help us provide shelter and love to the droves of homeless kids who will come to our Covenant House crisis shelters this Christmas?

Your Christmas gift today — whatever you can afford — will give kids like Jeremiah food, counseling, medicine, and a safe place to sleep away from the dangerous streets. But most of all, you will be giving them the love and dignity every child deserves. **Please help if you can!**

We simply can't care for the thousands of kids who will come to us this Christmas without the help of good people like you. Thank you for reading this letter, and for bringing kids like Jeremiah the miracle of God's love, if you can. **May you and those you love enjoy a most blessed, and safe, Christmas.**

May God be with you,



William "Bill" Bedrossian
President and CEO

P.S. Tonight, more than 2,400 hungry, scared, and all-alone kids will sleep in our shelters. We are seeing more kids in crisis than ever and could really use your help today. There's no other way to say it — the need is urgent. Please help our kids this Christmas. Your gift will be put to immediate use to provide much-needed safe beds, healthy food, educational assistance, counseling, job training, and more for our kids. Thank you again for doing what you can — and for believing with us that every young person deserves a safe place to sleep, especially at Christmas.

P.P.S. I've enclosed a special thank-you gift from our kids. I hope you enjoy the beautiful name labels and that you use them proudly with the knowledge of our mission and the wonderful difference YOU are making in so many young lives.

Please also send back the enclosed card so I can share your best wishes and prayers with the kids this Christmas. Your card will mean so much!

12-17-25

NEWS & VIEWS: from JO ANN KING

-Serving Christ in Crane-



Thank you so much for your faithful prayers and financial support. I am so grateful for you all. It seems like it takes more and more money to live today. My heart goes out to our missionaries as they try to raise support to go to the field where God has called them. My heart will always be for our beloved Spain. All the news from there fills my heart as I hear of souls being saved. I also am praying as the fires in Spain have devastated so many parts of the landscape as well as lives that have been affected by it all.

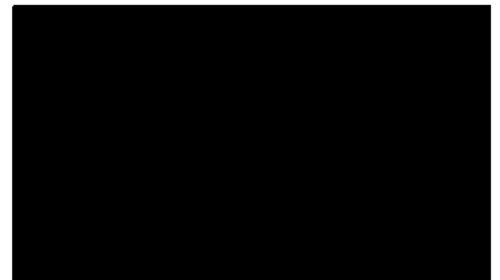
I am still thankful for the fact that God is so good! He's given me another year to live and serve him. Eighty four summers now! Wow, that's amazing! I'm doing pretty good health wise. I do covet your prayers that I will be able to continue to take care of myself. I recently had some dental work done this week, which is not my favorite thing to do. Ha!

I am still involved with a gathering of ladies once a month. Although several of our sweet seniors have gone on to be with Jesus. As we get together I am able to have a wonderful time of fellowship with them.

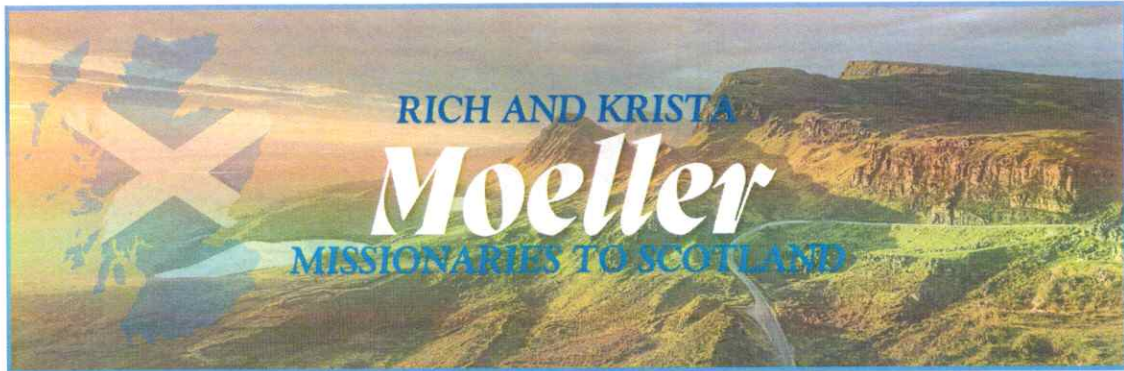
My granddaughter reminded me the other day that I can't do all the things I used to do but I can still pray. That is so true! I pray for you all and that your church is greatly abounding in the work of the Lord. Thank you for continuing to stand on the "firing line". Keep up the "Good Work"!

May God continue to richly bless you!


Jo Ann King
(Retired Missionary to Spain)



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Dear Prayer Warriors,

I am urgently asking for your prayers. My uncle and aunt, Brent and Sheila Moeller, are BBFI missionaries in South Africa. Their youngest son, Landry, lives there in South Africa. He has been in the hospital ICU for 16 days. Due to complications from a sudden onset of ulcerative colitis, Landry had to have his colon surgically removed. It has been a very slow recovery with many complications.

He was starting to show some good signs towards recovery, but last night he had a respiratory arrest and was put back on a ventilator. He has had a strong infection come back, and they are considering more surgery.

I would urgently ask you to please pray for my young cousin and his family. Landry and his family have been faithfully serving in South Africa for many years. We serve a great and mighty God. He is the God of miracles and mercies. Please pray with us for Landry to recover and heal.

Thank you for praying with us,

Rich and Krista Moeller

Norm & Jeanie Higgins
Your missionaries to
Baja California
Mexico

December, 2025

Dear Praying Friends:

"As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country". Prov. 25:25

Bro. Eric Salazar is the founding pastor of the Firm Anchor Baptist Church, located in Camalú B.C. He reports that they celebrated their eighth anniversary in November. They are having regular attendances of over eighty, with new families coming and souls being saved. They were able to preach in a village some 20 minutes away, and have added 12 people from there. He asks for prayer for that new area they are reaching, and new converts that are being disciplined. He also asks for prayers for more souls saved, continued construction and his health.

Bro. Samuel Alvarez pastors the church he began in Loreto, B.C.S. They held a family bible conference in November, with eight receiving Christ as savior. They celebrated their sixteenth anniversary that same month. They are having attendances of sixty, and ask for prayer for needed materials for the completion of their building. They have two students in our institute in Tijuana this year.

Bro. Villalpando in Guadalajara shares that they have had ten additions to church in the past two months, and two more members have become active in their door to door evangelism. He asks prayer for a special event that they have planned for indigents and seniors on the 23rd of December, and for the health of him and his wife.

El Camino Baptist Church just held its annual ladies conference this month. They had 903 ladies attending, coming from El Camino and 44 other churches. There were at least ten saved in the conference. The addition to the auditorium is almost completed, lacking finishing the restrooms. It was used in the conference to seat 150 ladies. Sarita Leon, the young lady with brain cancer that I wrote of in our last letter, went home to be with her Lord in November. Please be in prayer for her dear husband Jaime and her family during this time.

We are grateful to each of you for the vital part you have in the lives of us and our people, through your faithful intercession. We pray that you will have a richly blessed Christmas and New Year, as we listen for the shout.

Yours in Christ,



Norm Higgins

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Dear IABM partners and friends, *Peter McNeil and PBC family,*

As the end of the year draws near, **this is to be the last letter** from the mission of Inter-Australia Baptist Mission. As stated in the September update, **after 31 December 2025 funds will no longer be accepted for this ministry, and any funds received after this date for IABM will be returned.** The time for me to retire and for the mission to close has come. In 2026 all funds left in this account will be distributed between the four churches we currently support. The Lord has blessed in many ways over the time since this mission was begun in 1989. **In the days ahead I will be considered a retired missionary by CMC.** My personal support account will remain open, and for those of you who are already giving to this account, you do not need to do anything differently. For you and any others who choose to support me in retirement, please add a note for "personal support for E. Napier" to your Central Missionary Clearinghouse (CMC) giving in 2026. Of course, your help is appreciated. If you have any questions about this, please contact me through one of the above personal contact details.

All of the four churches for which we have been praying and are currently supporting have written notes of thanks for the care and prayers given to them over these last years. Lives have been touched and encouraged, ones have come to the Lord by the help of your prayers, and practical assistance with projects and outreaches has been given. Over the years youth camps have been subsidized and some youth have been given the fees to enable for them to attend camp and to hear and to be among ones to respond to the gospel. **Perhaps you remember praying for the lists of campers coming for those weeks of youth camps years back?** Pastors and their families have been helped in practical ways and strengthened and encouraged by your prayers. All of these churches have been so touched that ones in America have partnered with their churches. **For myself it has been a joy being closely connected to these ones in Australia as they spread the gospel through their outreaches, within their local churches, and beyond.** This letter is to thank you for your faithfulness in helping the Aussies through this ministry.

*Gratefully received for Oct. '25 \$100 for IABM. Thank you for your faithful prayers and giving. You are an encouragement. May this be a blessed Thanksgiving time for you all.
Love and prayers
Emma*

Your help and prayers have been multiplied through these ones serving our Lord in Australia. Needs have been met and prayers answered. "Incredibly grateful!", "God has been so good to allow us to benefit from the ministry of IABM.", "We would like to express our gratitude for you and the team for your continued support through the years, both financially and especially in prayers.", "The ministry has been a blessing to Australia.", and "It has been an ongoing blessing for us which we will always remember. Thank you for your constant prayers." These have been some of the sentiments our current churches sent to the IABM family. **How to put an ocean of memories and blessings in a letter? It is like a slide show of God working through His people. It has been 36 years of helping these churches and the other previous churches through IABM.** Our churches are working now on their Christmas programs or Carols in the Park or The Christmas Garden or in their church for outreaches. **Please remember to pray for them for this and in the days ahead.** The Lord will continue to provide for them, and they are on firm footing.

Personally, it is hard to write this letter as the memories flow. This has been a ministry of giving, and the Lord has given me so many blessings through the associations with you and these Aussies. Your love and faithfulness and prayers and care have helped to carry me through these years. My heart is full of thankfulness. My thoughts mirror those of the Australian pastors. **Thank you for sharing in this ministry. Your prayers for me in the coming days are much needed for wisdom and guidance. I am recovering well from my mild stroke in September. For all of these things in this letter, we give thanks. God be the glory, great things He has done!**

Love and Prayers,

Emma + the IABM team
Emma Napier and the IABM team

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NEWSLETTER December 2025

Dear Team Member,

IT'S CHRISTMASTIME, AND OUR RECEPTIVE HEARTS ARE OVERFLOWING! The mission of this ministry has remained the same, but our scope has enlarged tremendously. The **Scroll Project** and the progress on the **Biosphere** have enhanced our evidence demonstrating Creation to be factual. In the Scrolls we have 316 *specific prophecies that were fulfilled by Jesus during His first appearance*. This is beyond the potential of natural circumstances to accomplish, and demonstrates that *He was the Messiah, the Creator in the flesh*. In the prototype of the Biosphere we have already performed scientific experiments demonstrating *longer life-spans and enhanced protein expressions*. We're eager to complete the projects and demonstrate Creation Truth on a global scale.

The first photo was taken by the parents of **little Adah Mize** as she and the Museum Director peered through the "Gate Beautiful" of the Temple Model. We could see the distant High Priest model lifting his hand on Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement.

The second photo shows her grandmother, **Mary Ann Mize** (who donated the Scrolls to CEM), along with the Museum Director and Messianic Jewish leader **Joel Chernoff** (Founder of the *Joseph Project* in Israel). This partnership has been blessed of the Lord.

The third photo is also very special. **Drs. Ron and Melissa Pew** are shown by the scale model of the *Tower of the Flock* at Bethlehem. Ron 3D-printed the model and understands the significance of each detail where prophecies were fulfilled. David's well is shown nearby. *Micah 4:8 and 5:2* state that the Messiah was to be born here. All our Team need to visit this display and discover the tremendous significance of the site.

On *Saturday, January 3rd, 2026* at Director's Discovery Series I'll be speaking on **"Glen Rose: Collision of Worldviews - Significance of the Biosphere."** In our next Newsletter I'll list all the topics that will follow this theme throughout 2026. **EACH MONTH'S LECTURE WILL FEATURE SPECIAL DISCOVERIES MADE AT GLEN ROSE.** Our little town is truly the site of the **COLLISION OF WORLDVIEWS!**

Thank you for your faithful support, especially as we expand our scope and increase our financial burden. **IT TAKES A TEAM ... AND YOU'RE ON THAT TEAM!**

Have a Blessed Christmas,



Carl E. Baugh, Founder/Director/Curator

Designer And Sponsor Of The World's First Hyperbaric Biosphere

TIM LEE MINISTRIES

Patriotic Partner Newsletter

DECEMBER 2023

I haven't ever had a huge "bucket list." I guess I have lived a very fulfilling life. Many of you are aware that I enjoy fishing and hunting. There are a couple of hunts I've always wanted to do. I had dreamed of a Cape buffalo hunt in Africa and an elk hunt in Colorado. I had pretty much given up on either one of them ever happening at this stage in my life.

About three months ago, an organization called "God's Country for Our Heroes" contacted me. My name had been recommended to this wonderful organization. Each year, they choose a veteran for a free elk hunt, and they had chosen me. I was blown away! Our son Brian assisted me on this special hunt. On Thursday, November 30th, I was able to get a huge bull elk! You can read more on my Facebook page.



On Friday, November 7th, I was privileged to preach in a Kansas prison via video. These men were eager to hear the gospel, **and four of them responded by receiving Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior.** They were set free from their sin!

Because it was close to Veterans Day, I conducted numerous radio interviews to discuss the importance of observing and honoring our veterans in America.

On Sunday, November 9th, I was privileged to be back with Pastor Gordon Godfrey and the wonderful folks of the great Marcus Pointe Baptist Church in Pensacola, Florida. They honored their veterans in both services, which included an honor guard presenting the colors. **Forty-three were saved in the first service, and forty-five were saved in the second service! To God be the glory!**

On Tuesday and Wednesday, Connie and I returned to where we were born and raised in southern Illinois for several special Veterans Day events. On Tuesday morning, I spoke at a VFW-sponsored event in Mt. Vernon, Illinois. I was able to give my story and invite them to a special event that evening. The evening event was hosted by the Salem South Baptist Association, headed by Director Bob Burton. It was held at the Cedarhurst Museum in Mt. Vernon, and the building was full. **Ten came for salvation at this special event.**

The next morning, I had the honor of speaking at the high school I graduated from in 1968. Actually, the junior high and high school students were in this special assembly. I usually plan to speak for about thirty minutes in school assemblies; however, they asked me to speak for the entire hour. It was a great time, and I was able to share a significant portion of my testimony. They were super attentive.

That evening, I had another honor. I preached at the church where Connie and I were married and where I surrendered to preach. My dad pastored Belle Rive Baptist Church for over a decade. Again, they had a great crowd. **Four came for salvation, and three young men surrendered to preach the gospel!**

I serve on a committee at the request of Senator Ted Cruz that helps to select appointments to our service academies, which includes the Naval Academy, the Air Force Academy, and West Point. We met on Friday, November 14th in Round Rock, Texas, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. I take this job seriously. We must have the right people leading our military. We don't need "woke" people giving orders to our men and women wearing the uniform of our nation.

Saturday, Connie and I flew to Charlotte, North Carolina, and then drove to Williamston, North Carolina, where I spoke on Sunday morning at Trinity Baptist Church. Pastor Robbie Roberson and his folks had prepared a special day honoring their veterans. **Nine came for salvation, and there were numerous other decisions.**

Connie and I were to fly back to Dallas Sunday evening. We experienced numerous delays, but we finally arrived at our home and were in bed by 4:00 a.m. The week was hard but very rewarding, **with well over 100 lost souls saved!** It was worth it all, and you had a part in it!

SPECIAL REQUEST: Please consider a special year-end gift. We need to raise at least \$35,000.00 to put us where we need to be financially. Thank you to each of you for your prayers and support. We cannot do this without you.

TIM'S SCHEDULE

December 1-3
Billy Graham Team Event
Asheville, NC

December 4
Private Corporate Event
Clients Excel Financial
Spartanburg, SC

Visit our website at timlee.org to see more events. Tim & Connie love seeing our Patriotic Partners at their meetings. If they are ever going to be in your area, make plans to go and take a friend with you.



Connie's parents, Silas and Mary Hamson will celebrate 75 years of marriage on Christmas Eve. On Sunday, November 23rd we had a party to celebrate this momentous occasion. Si and Mary have 3 kids and 9 grandkids. (Pictured). These grandkids collectively have 22 kids (great-grandkids) and there is one great great grandchild on the way! What a legacy.

PRAYER REQUESTS & PRAISES

Neil Tenney asks that we pray for Grant who had a brain tumor removed.

Norma Carmichael asks that we pray for Steve in the loss of his sister.

James Pruitt reminds us to pray for our leaders, President Trump and our country.

Tom & JoAnn Currie asks that we pray for an unspoken and for their grandson as he chooses a college.

Diane Ward asks that we pray for her health. She is getting ready to start more chemo. She is slowly recovering from surgery.

Karen Disher asks that we pray for her brother, Randy with a colon cancer diagnosis.

James Pruitt reminds us to pray of President Trump, his staff and their safety.

Jennie Cannon asks that we pray for her son, Shane who is in need of a job.

The following are pastors, pastors wives & friends of TLM who are having health issues: Addien Pike, Analisa Castillo, Ergun Caner, Debi Hamson and Pam Stewart.

REMEMBER...

Please remember to pray for
Tim Lee Ministries

- Pray for Tim and his wife Connie as they travel.
- Pray for souls to be saved.
- Pray for the financial needs of Tim Lee Ministries to be met.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- If you have prayer requests to submit, please fill out the enclosed card (include your name on the card).
- We take your requests very seriously and will pray over them.

WE NEED YOU!

Please pray and consider helping TLM by supporting the ministry on a monthly basis.



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Serving local churches and their missionaries



November/December 2025

Dear faithful friends and supporters,

This seems to have been one of the busiest seasons of our ministry at the mission office. Between international travel and moving the mission office, we find it hard to keep up. However, I recently read where William Carey once said, "I can plod...I can persevere in any definite pursuit." Our pursuit is to please God, reach souls, and encourage servants. That keeps us "plodding" along, and we are grateful for your prayers!

We finished out October at Bible Baptist Church, Grove, Oklahoma, as part of their missions month. God gave us great services and sweet fellowship with this faithful church. We are grateful for their faithfulness through the years.

In November, we flew to Wellington, New Zealand, to visit and encourage Tim, Joy, Isaac, Ethan, Landon, and Kayleigh Guenther. It was refreshing to spend time with this family who have served in New Zealand for ten years. Despite trials they have faced, they genuinely love serving the Lord and ministering to the people there. We enjoyed getting to teach, preach, sing, and visit with the precious people of the church there. They greatly encouraged us as I hope we did them! (If you would like to hear the Guenther family's testimony, you can listen to their interview on The Abounding Podcast we recently started)



Upon our return from New Zealand, I had the privilege of attending the IBF of Great Southwest meeting at Antioch Baptist Church in Rhome, Texas. I taught a session on Engaging God's people in missions. We had wonderful fellowship, and it was encouraging to hear from some young church planters who are making a lasting impact in the communities where they serve. Then, we finished November by speaking at an assisted living facility where some members of our church hold a Bible study each week. We shared with them what God is doing all over the world, and it was a joy to meet some of the people there who served as missionaries many years ago.

Our travels have slowed down for a few weeks, which is a blessing. However, as I write this letter, we are full-steam ahead in moving the mission office to our new location. This is a big endeavor, but we are blessed with a great staff who has jumped right in. In answer to our prayers, God provided us with a new secretary, Erika Munoz, who we believe will be a big help to us. Thank you for praying!

PLEASE KEEP PRAYING FOR THE FOLLOWING REQUESTS:

- Pray for the salvation of Scott Sparks (former neighbor), Ashley, and our mailman, Creighton.
- Pray for Mallory as she manages health issues.
- Pray for our dear friend, Debbie, Scott, and family, in her battle with cancer. She has had a difficult time in recent weeks.
- Please pray for the Kerrs, for safety in Africa and for fruitful Bible studies.
- Please pray for the move of the mission office to go smoothly.

God recently reminded Julie and I to slow down and take time to enjoy the Christmas season, to stand in awe of the glorious incarnation of Jesus Christ. Oh, how thankful we are that Jesus came down to live among us, for us, to die for our sins, and praise God He is coming again! We pray you enjoy celebrating Christmas, and we are grateful for ALL you do for us. Merry Christmas, from our house to yours!

Serving the Lord together,

Joey Bacon
The Bacons

We appreciate you folks so much!



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December 5th, 2025

Dear Pastor and Precious Church,

Merry Christmas and Happy
New Year

Isaiah 7:14 – Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

Prayer Praises:

- ❖ We praise the Lord for the eight people saved during our Fall Bible Club on post this semester.
- ❖ The Lord is blessing our Tuesday night small group study. We are seeing individuals celebrate with victory over bondage.
- ❖ The Lord continues to allow us to assist soldiers through our Prayer Fast Flight Ministry. We gain several prayer requests each flight and have the opportunity to pray and counsel as the Lord opens doors.
- ❖ We rejoice in the three souls we lead to Christ since our last prayer letter.
- ❖ The Lord gave us a tremendous Veterans Dinner to honor our Nation's Heroes with many attending.



- ❖ The Lord continues to bring Military families to our congregation as a result of our visits on post.

Prayer Request:

- ❖ Please pray for those deployed during the Christmas season.
- ❖ Please pray for Harold as he is dealing with shoulder issues along with back issues from his service to our nation. He is looking at surgery on his shoulder.
- ❖ Please Pray for Karin as she ministers and helps several Military Moms.

Thank you again for your love.

Gratefully serving the Lord as your missionaries to the U.S. Armed Forces,

Harold, Karin and Jenny Pierce

BMFP

FORGOTTEN CALL

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BAPTIST MISSIONS TO FORGOTTEN PEOPLES

Thriving as We Press On



Jonathan & Rachelle Lyons
President

Merry Christmas! It is hard to believe that another year is already coming to a close. As we celebrate the birth of our Saviour, we are reminded and inspired to continue pressing forward in our service for the Lord.

2025 has been a wonderful year! The Lord has allowed BMFP to thrive in remarkable ways. We have

enjoyed unity within our ministry family, formed new relationships, gained financial supporters, and expanded our visibility. We look toward the new year, with hearts filled with excitement for what God has in store as we strive to "Press Toward the Mark in 2026." As we follow His lead, God expects us to give our very best in planning and participation.

BMFP goals and key priorities for 2026

Exalting the Master. One of our principles of operations is to exemplify the glory of the Lord and to delight in Him. The true success of any ministry is not measured by material accomplishments or accolades, but by how much the Lord is honored, glorified, and enjoyed through its efforts.

Encouraging the Minister. Pastors serve as the under-shepherds of the flocks God has entrusted to them. Their work deserves respect and support. In a world that increasingly disregards the things of God and His servants, we desire to be a constant source of encouragement to faithful laborers.

Enabling the Missionary. Today's mission field is vastly different and more challenging than in previous generations. Our goal is to equip our missionaries with the resources, training, and support they need to fulfill the calling of God on their lives in an ever-changing world.

Expanding the Ministry. The longer we serve, the more we recognize the need to do more for the cause of Christ. In recent years, BMFP has broadened its influence and ministries. We are excited about the new ideas and opportunities the Lord is providing. We plan to expand our building with a new wing that will include additional offices, a board room, and a larger auditorium for training and conferences.

Laying the Foundation for Tomorrow

Every vision must be followed with a process that accomplishes goals. BMFP is committed to preparing the next generation for service to the Lord. That preparation begins now by investing in people, equipping them, and influencing them through godly, biblical, and ethical practices. We remain committed to the following priorities:

• Being biblical, ethical, and godly in our dealings

We recognize that we are not perfect and that the Lord is the One to whom we must give an account. For this reason, we strive to conduct every aspect of ministry decently and in order. Upholding biblical, ethical, and godly principles remains a top priority as we work with pastors and missionaries.

• Motivating pastors to be actively involved in the lives of their missionaries and BMFP

There is often a disconnect between pastors and missionaries. They share similarities, but roles, responsibilities, and cultural contexts can be vastly different. We aim to bridge this gap, strengthen pastor and missionary partnerships, and encourage unified, healthy, Christ-centered relationships.

• Facilitating BMFP missionaries with the tools necessary to succeed in their mission

We seek to learn and develop new ideas that will benefit our missionaries. As the Lord expands our understanding, we make it a priority to pass these tools and insights on so our missionaries can serve more effectively wherever God has placed them. Tools are not the end goal, but they help advance the greater goal of reaching the world with the Gospel.

• Promoting growth internally and externally

We believe growth never stops. The Lord has blessed us with many faithful servants with a wealth of experience and knowledge. Resources such as books written by BMFP missionaries, our Church Planters and Leading with Purpose Conferences, and three annual retreats all serve to strengthen and develop pastors and missionaries. Expanding our facilities will also better accommodate the opportunities the Lord continues to provide.

Pressing Toward the Mark

As we enter the new year, we are grateful for all the Lord has done and continues to do through BMFP. With renewed passion and purpose, we press on—exalting the Master, encouraging the minister, enabling the missionary, and expanding the ministry for the glory of God.

Merry Christmas!

As we Press Toward the Mark together, we want to wish you all Merry Christmas from the Baptist Missions to Forgotten Peoples Family. We greatly appreciate your interest in fulfilling the Great Commission and the specific work the Lord has called us to do in it. Thank you for caring and praying for each of us!

Please do not publish this list on the internet.

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*"Bear up
the hands that
hang down, by faith
and prayer; support the
tottering knees. Have you
any days of fasting and
prayer? Storm the throne
of grace and persevere
therein, and mercy will
come down."
- John Wesley*

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World Harvest Baptist Missions

December 2025

The Langleys

Ben and Nan

Director of Pastoral Training

"And the angel said unto them, fear not for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:10-11

"Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift" II Corinthians 9:15

Dear partners and Friends,

It is that time of the year again when most of the world celebrates Christmas but there are so many millions that have not been told of the good news that Jesus came to die for them that they may have a way to eternal life.

That is our mission, our calling, our desire, that every person hears the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We have seen hundreds saved this year, but we are not slowing down!

We have seen God's wonderful blessings poured out upon World Harvest Baptist Missions this year. In addition to seeing multitudes saved, we have seen churches planted, children's homes started, Bible Colleges started, and thousands of Bibles distributed. God is good! And our supporters continue to bless each month with their gifts and prayers. **WE ARE THANKFUL!**

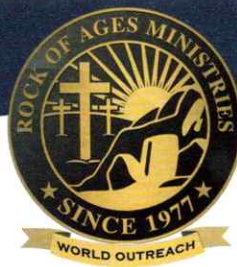
The New Year looms ahead and we anticipate another great year because of our great God and you our partners!

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE LANGLEYS!

Because of HIM,

Ben Langley

Romans 1:16



Pastor & Friends:

Hello! This year has not gone the way that I thought it would go. There were incidents that happened that caused me to cancel prison revivals due to the death of my missionary partner Randy Vance and with a lack of volunteers for prison revivals. Alos, my health having pneumonia and a severe cough and blood pressure medications issues which finally cleared after six weeks.

But, despite the setbacks, I was in eleven prisons revivals, preached in seven saw 161 inmates turnout for these seven revivals with 32 inmates accepting Jesus. God is good all the time. I am so thankful for all that got saved. To God be the glory!

Please pray for me as I am the only one left in the Midwest Region 3. I do have a volunteer from my church who is helping in the prisons. Due to my age and health I need someone to travel with me as we go into prisons.

Regarding family; we were able to meet up with our grandson & family for a visit to Disney for the week. Following that we were also able to visit other family for Thanksgiving.

We will also be heading to Texas for Christmas to be with family.

In closing, we pray everyone has a blessed Christmas and a great New Year.

Sincerely,

Ted & Becky Tharp

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2 Corinthians 4:5 For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.



**MISSIONARY 2
MISSIONARY CARE**

*Don & Kathy
Mingo*

M2MCare Update

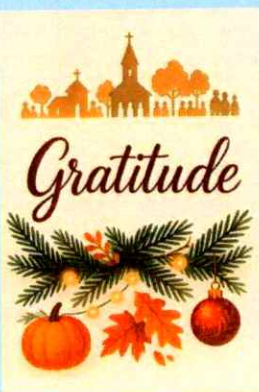


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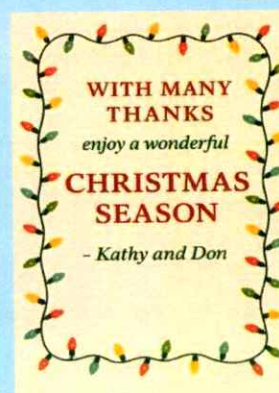
School of Missions

A highlight of the year comes when invited to care and share at the annual **School of Missions**, this year sponsored by **Leon Baptist Valley Church** in San Antonio, Texas. An estimated **75 missionaries** attended, and we were joyfully engaged with missionaries every day.



Kathy and I often talk about how much we have to be grateful for—and **you are a big part of that**. Your prayers, support, and friendship mean more than you know.

We hope this Thanksgiving and Christmas fill your home with peace and belonging. And as the New Year arrives, **we look forward to serving together** in the days ahead.



November - December 2025 Update from Don & Kathy Mingo

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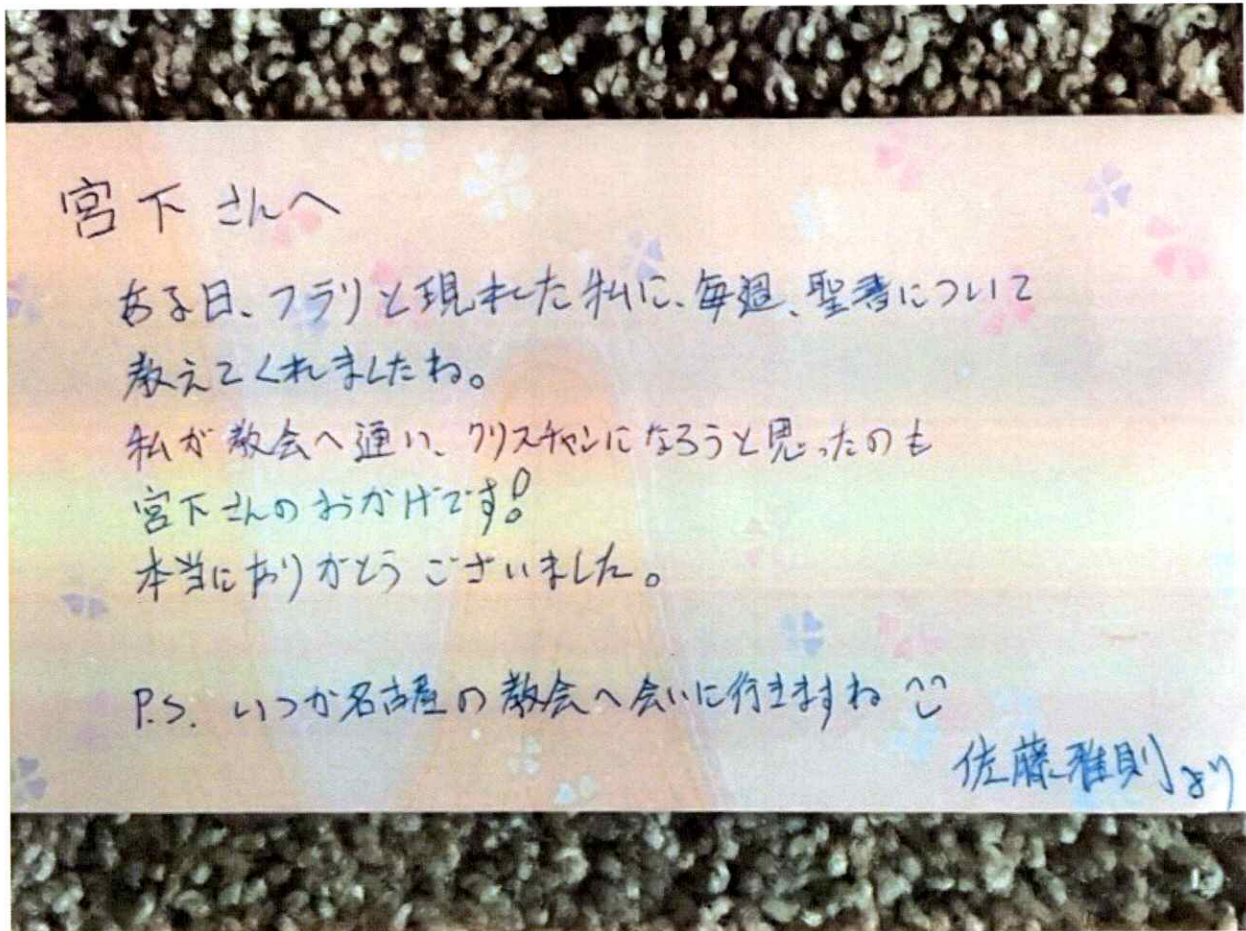
Hello friends

Happy December!

As we prepare to return to Japan, Rosie and I were sorting through the small tub of belongings we keep in the U.S. Most of it is stuff we eventually realize we don't need.

But some things... we'll never throw away.

One of them is this **note that came from a man who trusted Christ** during our time in Japan:



“When I wandered into church that day, you began teaching me the Bible every week. The **reason I kept coming and decided to become a Christian is because of you.** Thank you so much.”

Every time we read it, we're reminded why this work matters and why we must go back.

As we return to Nagoya, please pray for more people to be transformed by the Gospel.

Tomorrow is Giving Tuesday. We'll be asking friends and partners to help us relocate and re-launch the church plant in downtown Nagoya.

We also created a short 2-minute vision video that shares exactly what we're stepping into: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sLIOPs_9yZ0

Would you begin praying now about how you might take part?

Yours for Japan,
James Miyashita



THE LANE FAMILY

Missionaries to Honduras

Dear Pastor and Prayer Supporter,

Throughout the past few years, we have asked you to partner with us through prayer over many things - whether it be health, safety, language learning, or discernment. But one particular request that has continually weighed on our mind is the matter of our residency - or rather, the lack thereof. This January will mark four years of being compelled to leave every three months. We've asked in the past for prayer that God will continue to work in His exact timing, and our prayer remains unchanged. We want nothing more than His perfect will for our family, and we pray we remain malleable to His working hand, wherever it may lead.

We have just arrived back a few days ago to Honduras from a month's long trip in the states. As proved again and again, God made a time that could be mundane and meaningless to be purposeful through personal connection and spiritual encouragement. We had the blessing of being at several missions conferences this past month, including Colorado Springs Baptist Church and Bethel Baptist Church in Washington. Both churches were a new connection and proved to be an immense blessing and encouragement to our family. We praise the Lord that they chose to partner with our ministry here in Honduras.

As He is in times of our travels, God has proved gracious in times of hardship as well. During our stay in Washington, we received news that a very close family friend - both a wonderful mother and grandmother figure to our family - had been unexpectedly called home to glory. As unforeseen as the news was, we could not help but recognize God's hand of tenderness and provision to allow us to be there to support the family and attend the memorial service.

Even as we labored in the States, progress continued several thousand miles away in Honduras. Trenches for storm water were dug, a new septic tank was built, and much-needed insulation and drop ceiling were installed in the staff cabins and dining hall. Now that we have returned, we are eager to jump back into the many responsibilities that God has given us. As we acclimate again to our schedule here, we will be making the necessary preparations for several large events in the coming days. In late December, we will be hosting a Christmas service at the conference center, and a short few weeks later in the new year, several churches will bring their teenagers for a several day youth camp. And of course, only six months span between now and the rapidly approaching pastors' conference, and we are excited to progress in the much planning and preparing needed.

Please continue to pray that God's will be done in and through our family. As we labor in our weekly ministries of outreach and soul winning, please pray we stay sensitive to His leading and make those vital personal relationships with people who are hurting. We never want to forget what this ministry is about - to love people, to touch souls, and to share the hope of God's incredible merciful love. Thank you as always for your steadfastness and generosity towards our family and the ministry here in Central America.

For His Glory,
The Lane Family
1 Cor 16:9

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HOLIDAY NEWSLETTER



RATIO CHRISTI
Tarrant County College

ratiochristi.org

MERRY CHRISTMAS



What's going on

Greetings everyone! It has been an exciting semester at TCC South. The Lord has truly moved in the lives of our students this semester. We have had over a couple hundred gospel conversations, and one gentleman named Donte professed Christ as his Lord.

Our "Change My Mind" outreach event was a hit. During this event, our students had the opportunity to cross-examine our "All Religions Are Not Equal" position. We were also blessed to have guest apologist Brady Blevins and Pleasantview Baptist Young Adult Pastor Austin McNeil join us, helping engage students and staff in meaningful conversations about Christianity.

We had well over 60 gospel conversations that day, with many students expressing interest in joining the Ratio Christi meetings on campus.

What's ahead

With the fall semester coming to an end, we are already gearing up for the spring semester. Our theme for the semester will be "Stranger Beliefs: Exploring the Upside Down of Worldviews." We will be focusing on cultural apologetics and tackling topics such as New Thought, morality, biblical relationships, witchcraft, the question "Should Christians get involved in politics?", and much more.

Some of our guest speakers will include Melissa Dougherty, Bill Scott, Paul Gould, Brady Blevins, Anna Rose Kitko, and others to be announced at a later date. We will also be hosting another campus outreach day.

So stay tuned for more exciting news from Ratio Christi TCC South!



Karma Hansley

A group of students are walking along a paved path in an outdoor setting, likely a university campus. In the foreground, a man with a beard and sunglasses in a dark green shirt is walking towards the camera. To his left, a woman in a grey t-shirt is walking away. Further back, a man in a white t-shirt and black pants is walking. On the right, a woman in a bright orange shirt and a woman in a black shirt with a backpack are walking. The background features large trees, a paved area, and a building with a blue sign. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a sunny day.



- That the Lord move in the hearts of the students at TCC.
- Students see their need for Christ.
- The ministry to grow in spirit and in numbers.
- To maintain the qualifications for recognition
- Our current students: Karma, Carlos, James, Billy, KT, Daniel, Favor, Jaydn, Louis, Jerick, Arleen, Naomi, Jokiah, Addison, Charles, Riley, and the rest of the student body at TCC.
- For the Johnson Family as we continue to raise support.



— SLATERS —

SERVING IN IRELAND

MINISTRY UPDATE

DECEMBER 2025



Greetings from Mallow, Ireland! We are so thankful for your continued prayers for our family, and we are eager to share with you all that God has been doing here!

All of the kids have been actively engaged in cranking out the school work! Home schooling is going very well, and the kids are learning at a rapid pace! Noah has been working very hard at his reading, and even Lydia is starting to catch on just from listening and watching. The older three kids love spending time playing soccer and climbing trees with their friends.

We appreciate all of your prayers for Emily's health as we have been waiting expectantly for answers. She has had several appointments in the last few weeks but does not have a lot of new answers. We learned of a completely new issue that is unrelated to her Trigeminal Neurgalia which will require oral surgery after the first of the year. Her body has launched an auto-immune response to a perceived issue and is attacking a perfectly healthy tooth. Any dental procedure carries a high risk of a major flare up for Emily so please keep this and her recovery in your prayers.



We are so incredibly thankful to be working with a team of missionaries here in Mallow and Fermoy. We enjoyed a wonderful time of food and fellowship on Thanksgiving Day together as we praised the Lord for His many blessings. Each family prepared some of their favourite foods, and we all enjoyed a little taste of home.

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Our discipleship program has continued to progress steadily, with several new church members signing up to be discipled. We are very thankful that those we have been discipling have been very faithful to study God's Word each week and remain accountable to the teaching of Scripture. We are also very thankful that one of our disciples has recently begun a Master's degree in Apologetics and Evangelism. Please lift him up in your prayers as he works diligently in study and in ministry.

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SERVING IN IRELAND

MINISTRY UPDATE

DECEMBER 2025



Greetings from Mallow, Ireland! We are so thankful for your continued prayers for our family, and we are eager to share with you all that God has been doing here!

All of the kids have been actively engaged in cranking out the school work! Home schooling is going very well, and the kids are learning at a rapid pace! Noah has been working very hard at his reading, and even Lydia is starting to catch on just from listening and watching. The older three kids love spending time playing soccer and climbing trees with their friends.

We appreciate all of your prayers for Emily's health as we have been waiting expectantly for answers. She has had several appointments in the last few weeks but does not have a lot of new answers. We learned of a completely new issue that is unrelated to her Trigeminal Neuralgia which will require oral surgery after the first of the year. Her body has launched an autoimmune response to a perceived issue and is attacking a perfectly healthy tooth. Any dental procedure carries a high risk of a major flare up for Emily so please keep this and her recovery in your prayers.

We are so incredibly thankful to be working with a team of missionaries here in Mallow and Fermoy. We enjoyed a wonderful time of food and fellowship on Thanksgiving Day together as we praised the Lord for His many blessings. Each family prepared some of their favourite foods, and we all enjoyed a little taste of home.



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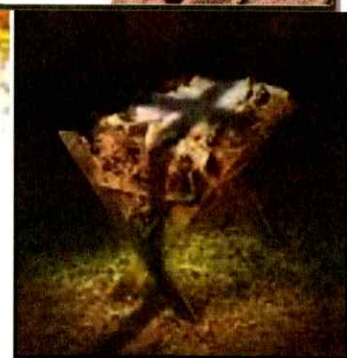


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News from Debbie Lane and the Harvest Fields of

HONDURAS



One Night Before Christmas by Debbie Lane

*One night before Christmas we all need to pause
And remember that Christmas is not Santa Clause.
It's not about reindeer or lights on the tree.
It's not about you giving presents to me.*

*In all of the bustle and rush of the season
We tend to forget the true meaning - the reason.
And oft, even Christians who bear Jesus' name,
It's sad, but too often, we do just the same.*

*We all get caught up in the world's "X-mas" story
And we don't give due praise to the dear Lamb of glory.
We're so busy thinking of tinsel and lights
That we give little thought to that miracle night...*

*...When the Holy Designer of heaven and earth
Left His throne and was born a miraculous birth.
He left honor and praise and His Father above
To live as a man - and to die - just for love!*

*Born to die! That's the reason that Jesus Christ came!
Born to die - just to take all our guilt and our shame.
Born to die - just to give us the best gift of all -
Salvation by grace, if on Jesus we'll call.*

*Yes, we honor His birth - but the **real** celebration
Is that Jesus was born to give sinners salvation!
He offers it free to the young and the old,
To the rich and the poor, to the meek and the bold!*

*If you're saved, then that means you've accepted His gift.
And that's great! But look 'round you! They're so many adrift -
People searching for purpose and meaning in life -
They're hopeless and hurting, full of anger and strife.*

*He'll forgive all their sin! He'll forget all their shame!
He gives purpose and hope! They won't be the same!
That's why He was born and His life freely given...
Just to give us new life and a home up in Heaven!*



*Lord, don't let me see Christmas from the world's tainted view,
But instead, help me focus on others — and **You!**
Help me not get caught up in the bustle and fray,
In the lights and the gifts... **These will all pass away.***

*But instead, help me think of that Gift beyond measure,
That Gift that is worth more than **all** the world's treasure,
The Gift of Your Son and His death on the tree -
The gift that was given in love - **just for me!***

*This Christmas, and always, dear Father above,
Help me to tell others about Your great love,
Give me boldness to **share it** with those who don't know it.
Boldness to **tell it**, to **live it...** to **show it!***

*I give You a gift, my dear Savior and King.
It's not shiny or new - it's a tattered old thing.
But it's the best that I have, and all I can give...*

*It's my heart, and my life, and a promise to live
Every day just for you. I'll be salt, I'll be light....*

And thank you, dear Lord, for that first Christmas night.



Fishing In Restricted Waters



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Torres Tidings

DECEMBER

Rejoicing!!!

Dear Mr. McNeil,



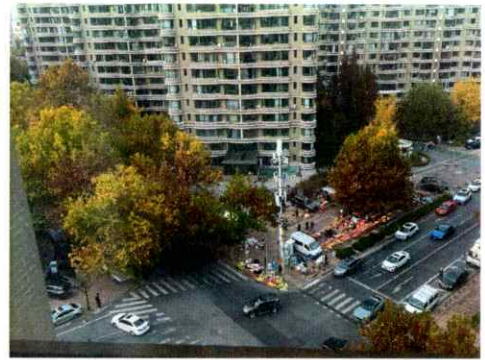
We are so thrilled that RQ was able to make a short notice trip to our city to spend Thanksgiving with us. Pictured is Moriah and Isaac meeting her at the airport.



We had our Thanksgiving meal together on Friday since RQ couldn't make it to our house until late on Thanksgiving evening due to her job. However, we enjoyed a wonderful meal of traditional American Thanksgiving foods, including a big turkey!



The Chinese lady who runs this particular English Corner (standing far left) is a sister. Moriah and Kaitlyn have already had many opportunities at relationship building with the people who attend this English Corner for the sake of sharing a good message with them!



Every fall, vendors selling delicious fall produce take over the parking lot directly adjacent to our apartment building for about a month. Pictured is the view from our kitchen window. They sell such things as the sweetest, crispest apples you've ever tasted, to winter squashes and sweet potatoes.

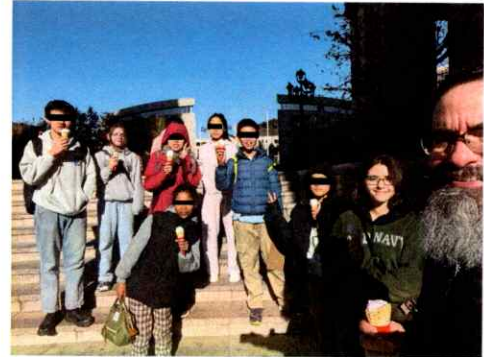


Before the evening was over, the children enjoyed doing a bit of trick-or-treating at the various doors inside our home so they could get some little treats and toys.



It is the custom in China to never show up to someone's house empty handed. The families who came to our event blessed us with an abundance of delicious fruit!

the center is a conveyor belt full of food and you grab what you want as it passes.



The students enjoyed a stop for ice cream cones for dessert after lunch!



After lunch, Isaac and Ms. E, one of the middle and high school teachers, took the students to a local museum.



Moriah has been going with Miss Kaitlyn on Saturdays to help teach a local English corner. She and Miss Kaitlyn have been taking turns teaching the English lesson.



This was the first time for Isaac's student, M, and her parents to come to one of our events. She seemed to have a great time and they were able to hear the good news!



All of the children showing off their happy pumpkins!



We had to take a group picture together after we finished decorating!



On that Saturday afternoon, Moriah and Kaitlyn took RQ around town to see some of the sights since she has never been to our city before. We live only a few miles from the ocean, and there is a famous oceanside park near our home. They rode the ferris wheel for a great view of the ocean. Then they went to a unique coffee shop at the top of a sky rise building that offered a 180 degree view of the entire city.



We have completed this school year's first quarter at Hope Academy. Several of the middle school and high school students made the honor roll so they were able to take a half day off school one Friday for a field trip together. They first went to lunch. The Hope students are all sitting side by side along the right side of this table. In



After the presentation the kids enjoyed carving their own pumpkins! Here is one of the older kids showing one of the younger ones how to get her pumpkin started.



As is our yearly tradition, we decorated our home for Christmas the day after we celebrated Thanksgiving. RQ and Kaitlyn, who also spent the weekend with us, were excited to be able to help us put up and decorate our tree. Everyone worked together to fluff up the branches after Isaac and Moriah assembled it.



RQ and the littles fluffing the tree branches together.



This year, as an ice breaker for our harvest outreach, we did the Hokey Pokey both in Chinese and then in English. The kids and their parents loved it!



Isaac shared the good news story of how people are like pumpkins and Moriah translated. (It is a big draw for our activities that we make them a bilingual event). Pictured is Isaac during the presentation showing the children the inside of the pumpkin after he had cleaned out all of the yucky stuff.



We were surprised on Thanksgiving Day by the delivery of this beautiful cake from a dear friend of ours GM. She is a precious sister whom we have known since 2012, the year we moved to China. When she ordered the cake she asked them to change the *Happy Birthday* to *Happy Thanksgiving*. While they kept the *Happy Birthday* accessory on the cake, they did include an extra note that said "感恩节快乐" which means *Happy Thanksgiving*.
What a sweet gesture from a loving sister!

RQ also shared how she started trusting several months ago. I asked her several good news confirming questions all of which she confirmed. I asked her if she had ever told our father that she was trusting in him. She had not. She wanted to wait until she returns home so that she could do that with her mother. Her mother trusts already, and RQ knew it would be very meaningful for her mother to be with her. How thoughtful!

I asked her, well who is going to tell your dad, your uncle, and cousin (even in a coma, he can hear), she declared, "I will tell them!"

Many people have been pouring their lives into RQ. I think of the Zondlos, Moodys, Boesls, Mr. Barnett, my parents, and many others. I think of you who specifically mentioned her to our father. I thank our father for all of you who partner with us in these efforts.

One final item, I would like for you to consider our oldest daughter Moriah, turning 17 this month. She has been part of RQ's story from the beginning and an important part of the relationship building. She was so blessed to be a part of the late-night conversations and to see fruit from a relationship she has personally invested in. She is passionate about sharing the good news and eager to gain training and experience as part of a focused trip in less restricted waters. Please take time to read a letter she has written [\[Click Here\]](#).

Grace and Peace,
The Torres Family

P.S. – It occurs to me how this letter contains the stories of one who is hearing for the first time, one who is accepting, and one who is serving. These are the three major stages of growth. Praises!



This year Steph was able to find fresh cranberries! She used them to make a delicious cranberry cider drink and then used the cranberry pulp to make cranberry sauce.



Even though she had never made cranberry sauce from scratch before, it turned out great!

You may wonder why we carved pumpkins again this month. Due to illness we had to put off our home activity, but it ended up working out better for several of our local friends so that they were able to attend.

M was one of my more advanced English students who always excitedly greets me when she sees me. We have to be very careful about how we share with these students, especially since we don't really know their family background. Despite a bit more risk, we invited M and her family. They really enjoyed their time with us, and we got to share the good news with them for the first time. May these seeds take root and grow!

We had an extremely pleasant surprise this month. We received a message from RQ, one of the college students that faithfully attended our studies when we were "stuck" in the USA during the Covid years. Some of you have specifically been lifting her and her family up after her family was devastated by a flash flood in the mountains. She lost an aunt and a cousin. Her uncle is paralyzed, and her other cousin is still in a coma. She has since been helping run her uncle's business and has not been able to return to the USA to finish her last year of college. She explained to me how she has been contemplating what we had been teaching her and had several very thoughtful questions.

Although I filled several pages answering her questions, there was one question that is best answered in person. She wanted to know if we had any personal experience with loss or suffering and how our worldview actually made a difference. Although it was short notice, we invited her to join us for Thanksgiving, and she did!

We spent an incredible three days with RQ. We had lots of fun and ate delicious American food. We also had deep meaningful conversations which stretched past midnight most of the nights she was with us. We shared some of our emotional stories, Kaitlyn shared how our father worked even through her losing her dad when she was a teenager, and RQ also shared her story in greater detail. We were all crying together.



This year we were able to find an imported 8 kg (17 lbs) turkey for Thanksgiving!



Since homes in China don't have ovens, all we have for baking is a big toaster oven that would have a hard time fitting a turkey. Thankfully, a western restaurant near our home was willing to roast our turkey for us. They roasted it along with little potatoes and stuffed it with chestnuts.

It was so delicious!

DEBBIE TAYLOR TO BELGIUM

Dear Pastor McNeil and Pleasantview Baptist Church,

What a season of thanksgiving and testimony we've experienced here in Brussels! God has been moving in powerful ways, and we're excited to share what He's been doing through Église Baptiste Biblique.

Thanksgiving Celebration

For the first time, we rented an outside venue to host our Thanksgiving celebration—and what a day it was! Despite the cold and snowy weather, we gathered with abundant food and even more abundant laughter. We welcomed several visitors, including one of my neighbors and some returning young adults. What blessed me most was watching our church family truly take ownership of this event, diving into the planning and preparation together. It was a beautiful picture of the body of Christ working in unity.

A Decade of Faith Rewarded

This month we lost one of our church members, but his story is a beautiful testimony to God's faithfulness and our church family's perseverance in love.

Sammy started attending with his wife about 10 years ago. He would faithfully announce, "I'm Jewish and don't really believe in God," yet he kept coming to make his wife happy. Our church simply kept loving him. Over the years, he painted our church, participated in outreaches, contributed to our Christmas offering for the Bethesda Home in Ivory Coast, had his baby dedicated here, and never missed a Sunday. When asked if he was ready to get saved, he'd smile and say, "I'm getting there."

Two years ago, Sammy was diagnosed with stage 4 colon cancer. We prayed him through surgery and multiple rounds of chemo, but especially that he would surrender to Christ. This September, with no treatment options left, he came to say goodbye before we left for furlough.

While we were in the States, my dad developed a serious infection that threatened to delay their return. I called to tell them Sammy was failing, praying they'd make it back in time for one more conversation. Then Saturday afternoon came the call we'd been praying for: **Sammy had accepted Christ as his Savior!** His wife wanted to share the news at our Thanksgiving celebration so the whole church could rejoice after a decade of prayers.

Dad recovered just enough to fly home. They went straight to see Sammy in the hospital before he was transferred home for hospice. He passed away the Wednesday before Thanksgiving.

His funeral filled our church beyond capacity—people sat upstairs, in the fellowship hall, even watched from the nursery. The church family prepared food, cleaned, decorated, and served his family with such love and grace. After ten years of faithfully loving Sammy toward Christ, they got to celebrate his salvation and minister to his grieving family. I have never been prouder of our church.

Looking Ahead: Christmas Family Experience

We're now preparing for our Christmas Family Experience with the theme "Jesus is the Greatest Gift." We'll present a play alongside various activities, games, and crafts to celebrate the birth of Christ with families in our community.

Thank you for standing with us in prayer and support. Your partnership makes this ministry possible.

In His Service,
Debbie Taylor



PRAY WITH ME

- Pray that God would bring families to hear the gospel at our Christmas celebration
- Pray for continued healing for Sammy's wife and family
- Pray for our students as they continue to grow in faith and service



Bill & ——— ————— Dena Rose

CROSS-CULTURAL MISSIONARIES
TO SPAIN AND LATINOS

December 11, 2025

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Roses!

We've had a record number of salvations in 2025 through the various ministries, both in the US and in Spain! As we've detailed in other letters this year (*please let us know if you don't receive our email updates!*), we continue to work faithfully with the Spanish speaking people in St Joseph and Cass County, Michigan. We average around 20 people on any given Sunday and feel strongly that we can't leave this flock without a shepherd in order to return to the other side of the world and to start over again. **Please pray with us that God will help us develop leadership for the ministry in Michigan.** We are thankful that God has kept the door open in Spain for us for the next 10 years through the successful renewal of our residence cards and trust that He will allow us to finish this work before beginning another. The church we planted in Cartama, Spain continues strong and is one of the ministries that benefits from the mission groups that we take over to serve periodically throughout the year. For 2026 we already have a group from Michigan scheduled for June with the possibility of three other future groups as well! We have seen God use these group trips in the lives of participants who come from the US to **further their love and burden for missions**, and not only that but **also to encourage and strengthen the nationals** and their churches in Spain. In addition to other activities, there are important ministries that our groups do including:

***Evangelistic sports tournaments** with decisions handed over to church plants for follow-up

***VBS programs** which the church plants often don't have the resources or workers to do, yet they receive the contacts of the participants and work to pull them into the church.

***Tract/flyer distribution** After one of our groups handed out flyers/tracts in the streets of a target town, the local worker had three new visitors in their service the very next Sunday and within months was holding their very first baptism service and renting their first location! It would have taken the missionary weeks, if not months, of work to canvas the town with the literature that our group handed out in a matter of hours. We also distribute tracts in completely unreached towns to seed for future church plants.

The group we hosted this past summer was our 5th group so far and not only has this ministry had a great impact but it is also something we feel we will be able to continue to facilitate in the future, whether from a "home base" of Michigan or Spain.

If you haven't yet seen it, our latest video can be found at: <https://youtu.be/nCNnhl0-Xc0> or by scanning the QR code. Rosestospain.com is back up as well. Please feel free to reach out to us with any questions or comments about the ministry God has put before us!

As we enter into 2026 with challenges and opportunities, we ask that you would continue to pray for our family and ministry. Especially pray for our planning and preparation for the mission group that we are bringing to Spain in June, the possibility of taking a group from the US to Senegal for a basketball camp outreach, and the opportunity we have to do an evangelistic soccer tournament for migrant workers in northern Michigan that could possibly reach up to 1500 farm workers in the month of August- date TBD based on the harvest! One of our current challenges is a low support level and **we appreciate your partnership with us through prayer and financial support now more than ever.** God always provides for our needs. Thank you for the part you play!



Colossians 3:2- Serving in faith while looking above! Bill and Dena Rose

*Bill & Dena Rose
Thank you! Phil 1:2-4*

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