



The SCOTT CRABTREE Family

Missionaries to the Deaf

"There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard." Psalm 19:3

72 DAYS ARE REMAINING TO PAY OFF THE LAST 6.4% OF OUR PROPERTY! (\$86,000). God has been so good to allow us to be at this amount since the 15% balance in our last prayer letter. Five years ago today, we stepped out by faith. No guarantee. No safety net. Only a clear calling from God and a willingness to trust him. We entered into a commitment--a \$1.35 million loan--with a simple but powerful desire from the businessman who believed in us: *"Pay it back in 5 years."* Not because we had to. But because integrity matters. Because our testimony matters. Because God's work deserves our very best. Property in this area is very expensive, and now we stand at the final stretch of a miraculous journey. Every Sunday since we started this goal, our children's class has done a coin offering and they have surpassed \$4,000. Our people enjoy bringing in the coins to see the kids' faces light up. It will be a happy day when we don't have to mention this in our letters anymore!

Please pray fervently with us regarding this - we believe in the power of prayer. If God has used this ministry...If God has touched your heart...If God has shown His faithfulness through this work...can you help us cross this finish line together? **To give online:** lifesignsdeafchurch.com. Any funds to help with our building fund may be sent to:

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The December - January prayer letter is always the hardest to write because so much is packed into the end of one year going into the next. December is filled with many Christmas activities like our Christmas party/banquet, Christmas breakfast, and Candlelight Service. Even though we had a smaller group this year due to illness and weather, several folks expressed how much they were blessed when we showed up singing Christmas carols in their homes. One of our members who is in a nursing home said, *"I knew my church wouldn't forget me!"* It truly touched our hearts. A young Deaf lady named Hawi, from Ethiopia, also made a profession of faith in Christ recently.

We started out the New Year with a late Christmas gathering with all of our family which included our new grandson, Conrad Nathaniel - the Crabtree name lives on! We were also able to present our ministry needs this month at the Heartland Church Planting Conference in Oklahoma City, and am rounding out our time currently at the Deaf Men's Retreat in Gatlinburg, TN, with 4 of our Deaf men. On the way there, we stopped in to tour Crown College and Temple Baptist Church in Powell, TN, where I used to be on staff. They were very impressed and then Chester (who is 86 years old) said, "Why would you leave all of this to go start a Deaf church?" I looked at him and said, "So people like you could hear the Gospel." He knowingly nodded his head up and down as a smile came across his face. **It's all about souls - thank you for being a part of it!**



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