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November/December 2016 Prayer Letter

Dear Brethren,

Greetings and peace in the name of our eternal God, Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

As always, we thank our Lord Jesus Christ for taking us on this glorious journey, a journey of endless joy, speaking to our hearts, answering the call that He has given us and accepted the mission that is ahead of us to do His work according to His ways and will.

During these past two months, it has been very light, not too many meetings; just visiting churches that are supporting us and others to introduce ourselves, as well as calling pastors for meetings; but in November, we had a meeting at Calvary Baptist Church in New Bern, NC, Pastor Bill Wingard; it was a blessing, the church was excited for us. We had two meetings in New York City that were cancelled. It was a bit discouraging when these two meetings were cancelled but the Lord knows what He is doing as always, due to these cancellations, my wife got very sick, it started with the flu than developed into bronchitis in both lungs since the beginning of December until now, she is slowly recuperating; not only that, one of our son's was diagnosed with cancer during Thanksgiving and is under treatment and needed our support and help. With all of those unforeseen things which of course the Lord knew about them, He reminded me of **Romans 8:28 "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them that are the called, according to His purpose"**. With that being said, we couldn't have gone to those meetings, God is Sovereign and in control of everything!

We continue to praise the Lord, as always, for His protection (physical and spiritual) and provision (He knows all our needs) as well as the wisdom that He gives us to do His work. We also praise the Lord that He gives us our health so we can serve Him with all our strength, to adore Him in spirit and in truth with all our hearts, and to glorify Him in everything that we do. The Lord is Good!

As we press on, please continue to pray for the following prayer request, my wife's physical need with her varicose veins and blood circulation as we traveled. Thank you for your prayers regarding the tendon on my left heel, it is healing slowly; but I am still having a hard time standing and walking, especially on hard surfaces for a long period of time.

- **Support Levels**

Continue to pray as we are on this deputation journey that the Lord will guide us to the right church and have favor along the way in order to obtain our support, so we can arrive on the field by December 2017 or sooner according to the Lord's will. As of now, we are about 28%, Praise the Lord! We are praying for the churches that we presented to partner with us, if they do, we could be about 31%. Our minds, our hearts and our spirits are in Costa Rica but our bodies are still here. Our Lord is a sovereign God.

- **Safety with Travels**

Pray that our Lord, God would protect us on the road. Pray as we are planning to go to Costa Rica the latter of May 2017 according to the Lord's will to pinpoint where the Lord wants us in Santa Cruz, Guanacaste to establish the church.

- **Schedule of Meetings**

Pray for more meetings for the coming year. So far the Lord has blessed with a Mission Conference at Trinity Baptist Church in Wilson, NC in January and another meeting in Portsmouth, Virginia at Sweethaven Baptist Church in January. Another Mission Conference in Smithfield, Virginia in April at Calvary Baptist Church. Our schedule is not full, but praise the Lord for what He is doing, He is a sovereign God!

- **Softness of Attitudes**

Pray that our hearts would stay soft, to have a humble attitude, to stay close to God, and focus on Him. Also for the churches and pastors that we have been in contact with.

Praise the Lord for everything! To God be the Glory, great things He has done, that He is doing and what He will do as we focus our eyes and hearts upon Him.

Thank you so very much for your faithful prayers, kindness and love, but most of all for your sensitivity to the Holy Spirit of God Whom dwells in you.

Under His Wings Reaching the World for His Glory
In Christ alone

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Reaching Costa Rica for Christ

"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Mark 16:15