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From The Cross, Through The Church, To The World.

# **NEWSLETTER**

## **April 2018**

Author Warren W. Wiersbe developed a good definition of ministry: "Ministry takes place when divine resources meet human needs through loving channels to the glory of God." I hope this letter finds you enjoying the ministry in which God has placed you. We are privileged to have a part in the ministry that takes place here and around the world.

Corey and Lori Meier have returned to Brazil after a short time home raising additional support. They are excited to be back in the ministry on the field. Please pray that they will continue to have sufficient support to do the work there in Southern Brazil.

Todd and Sarah DeWitt will be returning to the U.S. soon with newborn twins Aiden and Josiah. Todd will be attending to some medical issues, and they will be reporting to churches and raising additional support. Please pray for the Dewitts as they plan their return.

Frank Brim and his family are planning to come home in May for a six-month furlough. Darla Brim was recently admitted to the hospital in Brazil due to continued illness. They prescribed some new antibiotics, and she has shown some improvement. Please pray that she will have a full recovery as they plan to come home for furlough.

After 45 years of faithful service as a WBF missionary, Gayle Sparks is retiring. Miss Gayle served faithfully in Mexico in the areas of Gonzalez Tamaulipas, Monterey, and Los Mochis Sinaloa. She also did some teaching and training in Honduras and Ecuador. Please pray for Miss Gayle as she enters this new season of serving the Lord in different capacities. The mission office will continue to channel funds for Gayle as many churches and individuals may want to continue sending support in honor of her faithfulness over the years.

### ***Health updates:***

Missionary Dave Ross continues to show much improvement in healing from the broken hip. At this time, he will stay in the hospital in Singapore, hoping to continue therapy until the end of June. After that, they plan to fly to Indonesia where they will spend 6-9 months catching up on the ministry there. Then they plan to fly to the U.S. for a short furlough to visit with supporting churches and family. God has certainly performed a miraculous work in Bro. Dave's life. Please continue to pray for Bro. Dave and Mrs. Carole in the days ahead.

David McDonald is still recovering from an infection in his heart. He is scheduled to have a Heart Ablation Catheterization soon. Please pray that things will go well and that Bro. David will have a complete and speedy recovery.

Kyron Horton recently had surgery on his shoulder in Brazil. Things went well and Bro. Kyron is recovering at home. Please continue pray for a quick recovery. Also pray for Antonia who is undergoing physical therapy for lower back and leg problems. Pray that they both feel better soon as they continue the new work there in Las Palmas.

Dr. Tommy Raley recently had shoulder replacement surgery. The surgery went very well, and Bro. Raley is recovering at home with minimal pain thus far. Please continue to pray for Bro. Raley that he might have a speedy and pain free recovery.

The following individuals in our missionary family need your prayers for ongoing health needs: Joan Adcock, Monnie Bacon, Charles & Juanita Bowen, Dale Brown, Monoka Brown, Phil & Mary Gagnon, Debi Harris, Ronda Hastings, Betty Hawkins, Norman & Jeannie Higgins, Mary Horton, Gary & Sandy Janky, Dana & Mark McCutchen, Brenda Morrow, Gayle Sparks, Jessie Starling, Amy Sullivan, Bonnie Winters, and Lanny Wood.

Thank you for being such a blessing to missionaries. Please pray for more laborers to be sent! We appreciate all you do!

Joey Bacon

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