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# **NEWSLETTER**

## July 2018

I hope this letter finds many of you already reaping the blessings of summer camps and Vacation Bible School. This is a busy but fruitful time for many churches in the U.S. and other parts of the world. As God works in the hearts of various ages this summer, please consider praying that the Lord of the harvest would send forth laborers into His harvest (Matthew 9:38). Our time is short, and the need is great. Please pray not only for laborers to be sent from churches in the U.S., but also from those churches in other parts of the world where indigenous works have been established.

John, Isa, and Jeffrey Horton recently returned to Brazil to finish some responsibilities there before transitioning back to the U.S. The works there in Belém, Pará, Brazil, are all indigenous and led by national pastors. After much prayer in seeking God's "next step" in their ministry, John has accepted the position of Executive Director for the WBF Mission Agency. Bro. John will be assisting us in the training of new missionaries, administration in our office, and traveling to present the ministry and challenge God's people for full time missionary service. Please pray for the Horton family as they make this transition and return to the U.S. in October. This family loves serving the Lord and will be a great asset to the WBF Mission Agency in being a greater help to local churches and their missionaries.

Jerry and Atalias Lantz are returning to the U.S. for a short time for some medical appointments. Please pray for a productive time here and safe travel back to Brazil.

Our missionary training days will take place here at the mission office July 27<sup>th</sup>-August 3<sup>rd</sup>. We are excited to have one new missionary couple and one new single missionary. Please pray that we can be a help and encouragement to them during this important training. This will be followed by our annual mission camp August 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> at Minnetonka Christian Camp, Clayton, Oklahoma. We enjoy this time of fellowship and rest with our mission family and encouragement from God's Word.

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

Joy Guenther's Dad, Pastor Roy Maple, is recovering from surgery due to bleeding in the brain. Through the generosity of their home church and several individuals, Joy was able to fly to the U.S. to see her Dad during this trying time. She has now returned to New Zealand with Tim and the kids. Please pray for Pastor Maple's continued recovery.

Charles Bowen fell recently and was hospitalized for a few days. He is back at home, though he is very weak. He is on hospice care at home because it was the best care available that would allow him to be at home until he is able to regain his strength. Please pray for Bro. Bowen that he would be able to regain strength and have a complete recovery.

Alan and Kathy Hart recently returned to the U.S. for a follow up CT scan on Bro. Alan. Praise the Lord they received a good report and will not have to follow up for another 8-12 months! They will be returning to Africa this month. Please pray for safe travels and continued safety as they minister in Mozambique.

Alton Smith had lower back surgery in June and is now recovering at the mission house in Arlington. The surgery was more extensive than they expected, and it will be at least three months before he can return to normal activities. Please pray for Bro. Alton and Mrs. Helen as he recovers.

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 & Jeanie 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 praying for WBF missionaries! We appreciate all you do!

Joey Bacon

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