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NEWSLETTER

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We would like to take a moment and thank you for your prayers for the WBF mission office and WBF missionaries all around the world. When the Apostle Paul urged the saints in Rome to “strive together” with him in prayers (Romans 15:30), the word “strive” carried the idea of “agonizing” in prayer. It literally makes a “world” of difference when God’s people fervently and passionately engage in prayer on behalf of God’s servants. We appreciate those who remember God’s servants “as bound with them” (Hebrews 13:3). It is an encouragement for missionaries to have such prayer warriors approaching the throne of grace on their behalf.

Alan and Kathy Hart desperately need our continued prayers in the aftermath of Cyclone Idai that hit Mozambique and surrounding areas of Southeastern Africa on March 14. Extensive damage and hundreds of fatalities are being reported. We thank the Lord for granting safety for Bro. Alan and Mrs. Kathy. The church and homes of the people in Dondo suffered much damage, but many of them are safe as well. The Hart’s residency visa approval was delayed as well, and they will have to leave the country if it is not renewed. Leaving the country is not a great option at this time as many of the roads have been washed out. Please pray for continued safety, wisdom, and discernment. Also pray that the electricity would be restored, and that additional food and water would be supplied.

Tom and Patti Wheeler have returned from Whales for a furlough here in the U.S. It has been several years since their last furlough. Please pray for a restful and yet fruitful time as they travel and report to their supporting churches. Also pray that they might gain extra support as needed.

C.D., Chloe, Felicity, Ophelia, and Isaiah Smith will be departing for the field of Palau next month. Please continue to pray for them as they have some remaining appointments in churches and still lack some additional financial support. We are excited for how God is going to use the Smiths in Palau!

At the end of April, we will have our missions committee meeting along with a missionary luncheon for those who are in the DFW area for the WBF Spring meeting. This year we will be meeting with two families who have been called to be missionaries. One couple feels called to the country of Spain, and another couple with three children feel called to the Dominican Republic and will be going through our Short-Term Evangelism Program. Please pray for these families as they pursue God’s call on their lives!

Health updates:

On March 4th, 2019, Todd and Sarah DeWitt welcomed their new baby daughter, Scarlett DeWitt, 6.9 pounds, 19 inches. We praise the Lord for a safe delivery of baby Scarlett. Please pray for Todd and Sarah and brothers Aiden and Josiah as they adjust to this new addition to their family and continue their furlough travels.

Retired missionary Gary Janky recently had his gallbladder removed and was suffering with kidney stones and an infection. Bro. Gary seems to be doing somewhat better, and they are hoping that as he improves, they may be able to tend to some health issues that Sandy is also having. Please pray for these precious servants of the Lord, that God would grant them healing and supply every financial need.

The following individuals in our missionary family need your prayers for ongoing health needs: Joan Adcock, Monnie Bacon, 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 striving together in prayer for these missionaries! We appreciate each one of you!

Joey Bacon

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