



WBFA  
MISSION  
AGENCY

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

# NEWSLETTER

## October 2023

We are looking forward to the WBF Bible Conference that will be held at Willow Park Baptist Church, Willow Park, Texas, October 2-4. This is not the traditional WBF Fall Meeting but it will be a wonderful time of fellowship with like-minded servants of the Lord who are passionate about God's Word and reaching the lost. Every year at this time, churches are generous to send gift cards to be distributed among our WBF missionaries who are in the U.S. on furlough or deputation. We are collecting those gift cards once again and plan to distribute them to our WBF missionaries at the Bible Conference. THANK YOU to those who participate in this blessing for our missionaries!

David and Carole Ross were home for a brief furlough, but have now returned to Indonesia. They are trusting God to continue sustaining them as they serve the Lord on the field. Please pray for both of them to remain healthy. They have been faithful for so many years, and they continue training others in Indonesia to continue spreading the gospel.

Congratulations to Evangeline McClure who recently acquired U.S. citizenship! Evangeline married missionary Andrew McClure several years ago on the mission field and was able to complete the naturalization process while they have been home on furlough. This family is doing a wonderful job for the Lord in Micronesia. Please pray for the remainder of their furlough travels, for safety and for additional financial support.

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

Retired missionary Jim Foster is on the road to recovery after multiple procedures that began with a blockage in his bile duct. He was also having some heart issues and had to have a stent put in one of his arteries to relieve some blockage. Please pray for Bro. Jim as he recovers from multiple procedures.

Retired missionary Don Rowland is in stage 4 severe kidney disease. Thus far, he has not yet had to undergo dialysis. The kidney disease also causes severe anemia, and so he must have regular iron infusions. Please pray for Bro. Don and Mary as they go through this difficult time.

Betty Hall is becoming more responsive, though she will require some neurological therapy. A facility in the DFW area has been found where she can be transferred and receive the care she needs to fully recover. Please pray for all the paperwork to be expedited so Betty can be transferred from Mexico to the U.S. and begin the rehabilitation process. Betty is a special servant of the Lord and longs to be well so she can continue the work to which God has called her.

Missionary Meisha Deane's mom, Dessie Deane, went home to be with the Lord in September. This has been a very difficult time for Meisha and her family. Please pray for comfort and grace for the days ahead.

We received word from Karen Werth in September that her brother, Jack Werth, went home to be with the Lord. He had struggled with an autoimmune disease for many years but began getting worse in the last six months. Please pray for their family in the days ahead.

The following individuals in our missionary family need your prayers for ongoing health needs: Gary & Monnie Bacon, Dale Brown, Monoka Brown, Phil & Mary Gagnon, Ronda Hastings, Betty Hawkins, Norman & Jeanie Higgins, Mary Horton, Gary & Sandy Janky, Marjorie Malanowski, Mark & Dana McCutchen, Linda Raley, David Ross, Don Rowland, Gayle Sparks, Marty & Jessie Starling, and Barbara Wimm.

Thank you for being a blessing to missionaries! They appreciate your prayers!

Joey Bacon

**\*\*The WBFMA NEWSLETTER primarily publishes news concerning our mission family\*\***

**\*\*Be sure to read our OFFICE LETTER for the latest news concerning the operations at the mission office\*\***