Partners in Prayer

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Dear Church Family,

What is happening in your life? Are you struggling with rising prices of just about everything, especially gasoline? Are you trying to decide what "normal" really means these days as we understand COVID is something which we will have to learn to live with for a long time? Are these and other things helping you understand that we truly need to trust God for everything in our lives? We are still in difficult times and it is wonderful to know we are in God's hands.

We have just received the blessing of another grandchild, Alannah, Christy and Christian's new daughter who was born May 11. We are not overly anxious grandparents so we were not at the hospital until two and a half hours after Alannah was born. We praise the Lord for this healthy baby and the joy she has given Christy and Christian.

Sandra has been busy this spring leading a women's Bible study on the book of Revelation. It takes a lot of work to prepare and lead a study of Revelation so Sandra has had a lot of extra study time this winter. Her ladies' Bible study continues to be online because it allows young mothers to be at home with their children and not have to find a babysitter.

Our couples Bible study is just finishing a study of Ecclesiastes. It is not a usual Bible study topic, but was requested by one of the couples in our study. Since Gary has never led a study through Ecclesiastes he, too, has put in a lot of extra hours preparing for the weekly time in Ecclesiastes with our study



Alannah Gwen Wendy Parr

group. Please pray for us as we lead weekly Bible studies. Pray the Lord will use His Word to impact the lives of each of us in the studies and that each of us will be always attentive to the Lord's leading in our lives.

Gary has now taken on oversight for World Team's principal online courses for our missionaries. Over the past decade he has served as a facilitator in all of these courses so knows the material. Now he is responsible to make sure the courses and website all work smoothly. Our missionaries are scattered all around the world so the courses are online. Our missionary students study the material, answer questions, and then also answer online questions. They comment on each others answers and ask more questions of each other. Since the students are active missionaries, their own experience brings a great deal of information and knowledge into each course. It is a really great teaching method. *Please pray for Gary as he continues to get to know the mechanics of overseeing this learning system.* World Team not only works hard at training our missionaries in evangelism, discipleship and church planting skills, we take leadership training very seriously. We have a training program for young leaders, which seeks to develop their skills and prepare them for future leadership roles. We have another, more advanced leadership training program for those we call "mid-level " leaders which develops even more leadership skills, preparing these people for leadership at upper levels of the mission. These leadership development courses span two years and cover a lot of material. At each level the growing leaders have a mentor to help them process and learn. Gary is involved in the mentoring part of the initial leadership development program. The young man he is currently mentoring, Edson, is a Filipino serving with World Team in the Philippines. His program just started so he and Gary met online for the first time at the beginning of this month. *Please pray they establish a great relationship and pray that Gary's mentee, Edson, develops into a strong leader.*



Gary continues to oversee how World Team ministers in Cuba. Primarily it is through help to the six seminary campuses operated by the Cuban denomination, "La Convención Evangélica de Cuba, Los Pinos Nuevos." Gary also leads mission trips to Cuba when churches are interested in sending a team there to minister. Right now a church is planning a trip for November. *Please pray as Gary works on preparations for this team's trip to minister in Cuba*.

World Team has a new video which is called, "We are World Team." It explains who we are as a mission and how we minister. You can find it on the World Team USA website. The video link is: https://us.worldteam.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/WTMAIN2.mp4

This past weekend Sandra and I got away by ourselves and camped for a few days at Nicola Lake, about two hours from Chilliwack. We had a great time, reading and hiking. The reading was relaxing, the hiking was rather strenuous at times. As usual, we had some fun climbing off the trail.

Sandra on our little hike

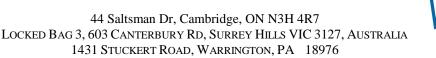
Thank you for your partnership in ministry with us. We are so thankful for each one who prays for us and supports us financially. Together the Lord is using us for His glory and His Kingdom.

In Jesus' love. Fary & Sandra

Gary and Sandra



An evening campfire





Glorifying God by working together to establish reproducing churches focussing on the unreached peoples of the world.