



Dear Friends and Family,

May 2020

We hope that each of you are doing well during this time. We have been praying for health and provision for those who are in the states. We have tried to stay active and keep moving forward during this time. Last month, we added Sunday morning services and this month we have added a new prayer and fellowship time every Friday. Although some have become less faithful in "attending" our online meetings, we have seen several others begin attending and become more faithful. It has been very difficult to be evangelistic during this time, but we have been trying to build up those who attend to serve God in greater ways. We are hoping to see greater commitments that will help us to move forward in future phases of the church plant. We have also helped out with providing food to some families who are struggling economically. We recently drove through the city and were shocked to see how many businesses were no longer there. On Sundays, Jeremy has been preaching a series of messages from Philippians on "Hope from God in Difficult Times." On Tuesday nights, Jeremy is now teaching on the Baptist Distinctives which will help lay a good foundation as we develop into a church. It has been good for them to see from the Bible why we believe in these foundational truths such as Biblical Authority among others.

Our home life has also changed very much. In the past, our girls attended a local school and Michelle did additional homeschooling with them for English and a few other courses. Now Michelle is doing lots of home assignments from the school as well as the homeschooling. We have had to make several changes to be able to get everything done from home while barely being able to leave the house. Thankfully, within the last few days the government made a change that allows Jeremy to drive again. After nearly a month of not being able to drive, he is happy to be able to drive again. Although we long to get back to normal, we are trying to make the most of the extra time that we have together during the COVID-19 pandemic.

As you pray for us, please know that we are praying for you. This month, please keep in mind the following requests:

1. That God continue to help us reach souls for Christ during this time of change.
2. That God will help those who attend our meetings to stay faithful and grow spiritually.
3. That God will build relationships and lay a strong foundation for our church plant.

In Christ,

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