



THE LOCKHARTS

DIRECTOR OF DEPUTATION

WORLD WIDE
NEW TESTAMENT BAPTIST MISSIONS

Dear Praying Friends,

April 2019

“Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.” Esther and I are glad for the privilege to serve the Lord and thankful to you all for your prayers and support which strengthen our hands for the work!

What a joy it is to have a part in helping missionaries through deputation that they may begin laboring in needy places around the world. Several new missionaries have recently joined with our mission agency. It is exciting to watch the process and see God do amazing things in their lives. As the world is embroiled in political, economic, and social chaos and uncertainty, the Gospel of Jesus Christ marches on. Christ is being preached. Souls saved. Lives transformed. Churches planted. Followers of Jesus Christ disciplined, and more laborers are heading out into the harvest field.

America, Mexico, Germany, Italy, Bolivia, Brazil, Yap, Syria, Sudan...How exciting it is to see our missionaries on deputation get closer each month to arriving on these mission fields. We meet with each new missionary weekly. We teach them how to start their deputation travels, and we encourage and help them along the way. We desire to see them get to the field as quickly as possible while learning many valuable lessons from God along the way.

God has allowed us to preach in various churches in SC, NC, and FL since our last letter. It is our prayer that the churches be encouraged in their faithfulness to send and support missionaries. We pray that God raises up more to labor on the mission field. The harvest is truly plenteous, but the laborers are few.

Things have been a whirlwind on the home front. In January, Esther's Ulcerative Colitis flared severely. She was the worst she has been since we have been back in the States. Thankfully, February brought some improvement, and she has been mostly well for the past couple of months. Please pray that God would strengthen and help her.

Last month, Levi, our four-year-old, made a profession of faith in Christ to save him. What a delight this was! Please pray that God would strengthen us as we continue to train our kids and disciple them. Missionary children are born with a sin nature just as the rest of the world. Satan seeks to destroy. We need your prayers that God would work in their hearts and that they would surrender to His working.



We are grateful to each of you for your faithful prayers and support. Though we have lost a good bit of support due to the change in fields, God has been so gracious to provide our needs. You have had a significant part in that! Thank you for co-laboring with us as we help new missionaries take their first steps toward the mission field.

With Grateful Hearts,
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