

Fosters On A Mission

July/August 2019

Greetings Dear Friends,

It has been a whirlwind of a summer for sure, and we are not done yet. Keep those prayers coming as you read about our exciting time in ministry.

Ministry Update

Karen joined a stateside ministry team from our church as they traveled to Boise, ID and helped Columbia Heights Baptist Church with their summer VBS program. It was a great opportunity to explore and express her own ministry calling while sharing that experience with several of her peers. **Pray for her knee, as she dislocated it...again.** We are not sure what impact this might have on her for our trip to Thailand later this month.

We shared our ministry with church congregations in Spokane, Washington and Salem, Oregon. David shared the example Jesus gave of sharing the gospel with the woman at the well in John chapter 4, and how so often we as Christians do not reflect the fullness of love that we know God to be. David also shared a letter that has been so well received that we have included it on the back page of this newsletter.

On our upcoming survey trip to Thailand we will spend 3 days in Mae Hong Son, where God began to call us to full-time ministry. Next, we will be in Chiang Mai for a regional conference where we will be able to fellowship with our field team for the first time. Then, we head to Sawang Daendin for the survey part of our trip to meet those who we will be working with in ministry and learn more about the area we will soon be calling home. In 3 weeks we have seen God provide more than \$5,000 in one-time gifts toward the cost of this trip, estimated to be ~\$6,000.

Pray for more 'God inspired' regular financial supporters, and for our upcoming survey trip. Continue to pray for the needs of the unreached people in Thailand who need the gospel message, and consider who God may want you to share His good news with.



David, Karen, Andrea, and Sarah

On page 2, we share a letter from God, and how He is leading us to pray for others.

Support Status

Even with no income since February, God has been continuously meeting our immediate financial needs, while moving us ever closer to the month-to-month reliance on His provision. We are currently at about 38% of our monthly support need.

The best support you can give us is to participate in our newsletter and partner with us in prayer. Also, **prayerfully ask God if he wants you to support us financially.** God will continue to call our financial partners, as he already has.

Important Dates

- August 27th-29th – Travel to Thailand
- August 30th-September 1st – Ministry in Mae Hong Son, Thailand
- September 2nd-5th – ABWE Regional Conference in Chiang Mai, Thailand
- September 6th-13th – Ministry and Survey Trip in Sawang Daendin, Thailand
- September 14th-15th – Ministry in Chiang Mai, Thailand
- September 15th-16th – Travel Home
- September 21st-22nd – McCall Baptist in McCall, ID

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My Child,

You may not know me, but I know everything about you. Psalm 139:1
I know when you sit down and when you rise up. Psalm 139:2
I am familiar with all your ways. Psalm 139:3
Even the very hairs on your head are numbered. Matthew 10:29-31
For you were made in my image. Genesis 1:27
In me you live and move and have your being. Acts 17:28
For you are my offspring. Acts 17:28
I knew you even before you were conceived. Jeremiah 1:4-5
I chose you when I planned creation. Ephesians 1:11-12
You were not a mistake, for all your days are written in my book. Psalm 139:15-16
I determined the exact time of your birth and where you would live. Acts 17:26
You are fearfully and wonderfully made. Psalm 139:14
I knit you together in your mother's womb. Psalm 139:13
And brought you forth on the day you were born. Psalm 71:6
I have been misrepresented by those who don't know me. John 8:41-44
I am not distant and angry, but am the complete expression of love. 1 John 4:16
And it is my desire to lavish my love on you. 1 John 3:1
Simply because you are my child and I am your Father. 1 John 3:1
I offer you more than your earthly father ever could. Matthew 7:11
For I am the perfect father. Matthew 5:48
Every good gift that you receive comes from my hand. James 1:17
For I am your provider and I meet all your needs. Matthew 6:31-33
My plan for your future has always been filled with hope. Jeremiah 29:11
Because I love you with an everlasting love. Jeremiah 31:3
My thoughts toward you are countless as the sand on the seashore. Psalm 139:17-18
And I rejoice over you with singing. Zephaniah 3:17
I will never stop doing good to you. Jeremiah 32:40
For you are my treasured possession. Exodus 19:5
I desire to establish you with all my heart and all my soul. Jeremiah 32:41
And I want to show you great and marvelous things. Jeremiah 33:3
If you seek me with all your heart, you will find me. Deuteronomy 4:29
Delight in me and I will give you the desires of your heart. Psalm 37:4
For it is I who gave you those desires. Philippians 2:13
I am able to do more for you than you could possibly imagine. Ephesians 3:20
For I am your greatest encourager. 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17
I am also the Father who comforts you in all your troubles. 2 Corinthians 1:3-4
When you are brokenhearted, I am close to you. Psalm 34:18
As a shepherd carries a lamb, I have carried you close to my heart. Isaiah 40:11
One day I will wipe away every tear from your eyes. Revelation 21:3-4
And I'll take away all the pain you have suffered on this earth. Revelation 21:3-4
I am your Father, and I love you even as I love my son, Jesus. John 17:23
For in Jesus, my love for you is revealed. John 17:26
He is the exact representation of my being. Hebrews 1:3
He came to demonstrate that I am for you, not against you. Romans 8:31
And to tell you that I am not counting your sins. 2 Corinthians 5:18-19
Jesus died so that you and I could be reconciled. 2 Corinthians 5:18-19
His death was the ultimate expression of my love for you. 1 John 4:10
I gave up everything I loved that I might gain your love. Romans 8:31-32
If you receive the gift of my son Jesus, you receive me. 1 John 2:23
And nothing will ever separate you from my love again. Romans 8:38-39
Come home and I'll throw the biggest party heaven has ever seen. Luke 15:7
I have always been Father, and will always be Father. Ephesians 3:14-15
My question is...Will you be my child? John 1:12-13
I am waiting for you. Luke 15:11-32

Love, Your Dad.

Almighty God

Homework Assignment Part 2: Prayer

Many people commented on last month's prayer letter, so we know you read it, but nobody sent us names for us to lift them up.

Think of people in your life that are in need of healing, comfort, salvation, or restoration with God. Let us pray for them by first name.

God knows their needs. We ask for prayer for:

Andy, David, Ed, Emily, Jim, Jeffrey, Jenn, Joel, Johanna, Johnny, Kyle, Lewis, Mike, Mimi, Sarah, Scott, Sheryl, Sigrun, Thora, Todd, Tom, Zach, and our local churches & pastors.

If we truly believe that God has eternally saved us from our sin and punishment, then this space should not be empty, but filled with those we know and love, and even with those we have a difficult time loving. For God's forgiveness is not only for us, but for all. His healing and restoration is not just for us, but for all.