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Greetings, brothers and sisters. Let me catch you up on what we've been doing lately, what's coming up, and how you can pray with us.

Over the past two months, we've spent the majority of our time either in the Greenville area or in Knoxville, TN. While in Greenville, we've parked the trailer and moved over to my parents' house where Bonnie Ruth and I have been thoroughly enjoying the extra elbow room and the kids have been thoroughly enjoying not getting stepped on by Momma and Papa. The lighter travel schedule has also been a nice change and has helped us restore a semblance of order to family life! And finally, a lengthy series of 70-degree days has reminded us of how much we miss northern Wisconsin winters.

In addition to visiting Greenville churches, we've had the opportunity to spend a couple weeks with our partners at Calvary Community in Knoxville, where I preached for three Sundays while pastor Rick Steen was away chaplain-ing in AL. The opportunity to plug in for three straight weeks with a partner church is a great blessing, and we're especially thankful that the Lord arranged our schedules to make this happen. The folks there have become especially dear to us, and we value this relationship more than ever now.

On Thursday, we'll resume our normal life of stepping on our kids, travelling the world, and being content with whatsoever weather the Lord brings to whatsoever State we are in! For the next five weeks, we'll be meeting with [five churches](#) in Virginia, Delaware, and Ohio, and we're really looking forward to connecting

with each of them. Hands down, the greatest blessing of the past year and a half has been the interaction with dear brothers and sisters who have eagerly listened as we shared of God's gracious leading in our lives and who have then been instruments of God's grace to us, building us up in our faith and speeding us on our way by their prayers. But this is one good thing that we're eager to see end. After a while, all the encouraging times of fellowship, combined with all the preparatory study for Cambodia, begin to make us feel like the Efik Nigerian bride who's spent her time enjoying the luxuries and training of the [fattening rooms](#) and is now waiting for her groom to come! Okay, perhaps not the most culturally appropriate metaphor for us Westerners, but hopefully you get the point—our hearts and minds are full, and we're eager to get on the ground in Cambodia!



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Since our time at [SIL](#) last summer, we've been praying earnestly that the Lord would enable us to **leave by the end of May**. The past month has been particularly encouraging and we now stand at 81% of our needed support. Obviously, a lot has to happen in the next couple months for May to become a reality. Would you please pray with us toward this end?

Just as important, please continue to pray with us that the Cambodian Ministry of Religion would follow through with their promise to **grant EMU a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)**. This MOU would allow EMU to continue in Cambodia as an international organization, saving us lots of time and money in obtaining visas and ensuring our future residence in Stung Treng Province.

I'll be keeping you informed as our departure date solidifies. Until then, one last thing you could pray for is that the Lord would provide a **buyer for our truck and trailer**. It's not exactly a seller's market right now, so we're eager to see how the Lord works this out. In the meantime, if you've been wondering how to spend your retirement years, or looking to downsize a bit, or just need some portable storage, I can hook you up with the deal of a lifetime ;)

Thank you again, dear friends, for your faithful support. We thank the Lord often for each of you who has joined us in this endeavor. May he continue to strengthen us all as we pursue his kingdom and righteousness.

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