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Dear Friends,

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Let me share with you some of the many blessings this spring that God has brought our way. Thanks for your partnership that makes all this possible.

What a joy to announce that Dr. Ed Lasko and his wife, Nancy, have joined the staff of IPM. He is now our East Coast Representative. Pastor Lasko just retired from pastoring the Middletown Baptist Church for 45 years and 9 months. He comes with a pastor's heart and a heart for missions. How wonderful that they were approved during our April IPM Board Meeting. We have already been working together for them to help one national this fall and several in 2014. He is looking for meetings in churches to present IPM and has dates for nationals to come with him. His new e-mail is lasko@ipmworld.org and his phone is: 302.584.5009.



This spring, Matthew Troy from Liberia had wonderful meetings in churches in eight states. Churches really opened their hearts to the church planting ministries in Liberia. He communicated well with everyone, since he speaks English, and was so amazed at the generosity, kindness, and hospitality of God's people. Pray that many of the churches we visited will take him on for support. He was at our IPM office for devotions one Wednesday morning and shared God's Word with us. He returned to Liberia on April 29th.

What a joy it was for me to drive from Hanover, PA, to the St. Louis airport (over 800 miles) to pick up Ivan and Noemi Alegria from Chile. We then had nine meetings in churches in Illinois, Missouri, Tennessee, and then two more back in Pennsylvania. For the first time, Ivan and Noemi shared their testimonies and sermon in English. They did so well and everyone just loved meeting them. It was my privilege to set up these meetings, and then to be their "driver" for over 2800 miles! God gave us safety along the way and brought us through a tornado area one evening driving to another church!



In April, we were all able to attend the Baptist Friends International Conference at Crown College in Powell, TN, and have two displays for our men. It is always good to meet the students, faculty members, attend workshops that can be helpful for our men, hear the beautiful singing, and the preaching of the Word of God.

URGENT PRAYER REQUESTS: Pray for me as I will be in Kenya, East Africa visiting Pastor Philip Warurtere's ministries from May 9th to 22nd. He has asked that I speak in a prison, two schools, four churches, preach in several revival meetings, teach a two hour class for the Bible institute students and hold a pastors' session. I covet your prayers for God's power in serving Him, others, and for physical health. Pray for some needed funds for my trip to India and Nepal (June 28th-July 24th). The ten various flights are all paid for. Funds for lodging and food are needed.



Pray for Cindy, in the beginning of June, she will complete her last year working with the kindergarten class at Calvary Bible Church. She has resigned from her position after twenty years and has peace that God will open some new adventure for her life! During the first days of June, our daughter and grandson will be coming from Norway to visit us, so that will be special in our lives.

COMPUTER PROJECT FOR OUR CHURCH MOBILIZATION DEPARTMENT: Praise the Lord for \$30 that has come in so far. My office PC will soon be eight years old, and is slowing down quite a bit, along with my 6½ year old laptop. So this is a real need for me as well as the funds for Brent Smith and Phyllis Toms' computers.

Thanks for your prayers, faithful support, and cards that several have sent letting us know of your concerns.

In His Grace,
Bill & Cindy Bowen II Cor. 9:8

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