



*In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your **partnership in the gospel** from the first day until now....* *Phil. 1:4-5*

**Praise Reports:**

- As we transition, Cornerstone has graciously provided the mission house for us to live in which is a wonderful blessing as we continue step-by-step on our journey.
- Karissa had a spiritually uplifting graduation ceremony from high school and was showered with love and care during her open house on May 30th.

**Prayer Requests:**

- Emotional peace and comfort as we transition from full-time ministry with Cornerstone to full-time ministry with SEND. Jerry needs extra strength and rest as he desires to make sure things are in order for ministry to move on.
- Meaningful, refreshing family times as we get ready to depart, and confidence and rest in God for our children (June 14-21 our immediate family will meet in Indiana for a week and July 14-20 our extended family will meet in North Carolina)
- Provision of our last 15% of support in God's timing according to His plan for us!

**Church Itinerary**

- June 7 Aboite Baptist Church—Fort Wayne, IN
- June 14 Morgantown Baptist Church—Morgantown, IN
- June 28 Crossroad Community Church—Shelbyville, IN

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Many of you already know that my (Jerry's) father passed away in May after seven years of struggling against a rare form of cancer.

While we never dreamed that God would take my parents this soon (my mother preceded him in death in 2007), we find great comfort in the promises of God. Though they are temporarily absent from the body, they are finally **home** "with the Lord" (2 Corinthians 5:1-8). It has been a good reminder for us that life in this present age is not our final destination. We are not **home yet**.

Speaking of **home**, that thought is on our mind these days. For the last 10 months, we have been renting (and enjoying) a condo since we sold our previous **home**. At the end of this month, we will be moving from the condo to our church's mission house and Jerry will be resigning from Cornerstone Baptist Church where we have served and which has been our church **home** for the last 14 years. All this is in preparation to move to Ukraine where we plan to estab-



*Where we are moving from. . .*

lish our residence for the next 8-12 years.

Needless to say, the prospect of all these changes has left our heads spinning and our hearts yearning to settle down in our new **home**—an apartment in Kiev. And we are **almost** there. As of this week, by God's gracious working in so many of your hearts and through your prayers, we are very close to achieving full support. **Approximately 85%!**

Our commissioning service will be held at Cornerstone (our sending church of course) on August 9. We will then take our daughter, Karissa, to Boyce College in Louisville, KY where she will be working on a degree in biblical counseling. A week later, we will say "goodbye" to our son, Joel (who will remain in Detroit to



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complete his education at Wayne State) and depart for Kiev.

Until then, please pray for us in this exciting but also emotional transition time. Pray that God's definition of "home" (see above) will keep us strong and sure as we move from our condo **home** to our mission **home** and our kids adjust to their new **homes** and we arrive in Ukraine. Until then, we are...almost **home**.

**Monthly Funding Update**



Needed monthly: 15%

(Current status: 85% promised)

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