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Dear Praying Friends & Family,

This has been such a strange year. We have experienced many blessings, but we've also gone through many dark trials. Such is the Christian life. We long for that final day in which we are forever with Christ. Until then, we faint not!

TICKETS PURCHASED FOR RETURN!

We are nearing the end of our 2022 furlough travels! Lord willing, we will return to Colombia on February 8th. The last 2-3 months have been the busiest by far. But God has blessed us in remarkable ways. During this furlough, we had 97 meetings in 40 different churches in 11 States. We're thankful for the chance to visit some long-time supporting churches and add a couple of new monthly financial partners. We only lack around \$400 per month to meet our monthly support goal.

MINISTRY GROWTH & OPPORTUNITY

All four of our churches and Bible studies have grown since the start of our furlough. New salvations, baptisms, church members, and people training for ministry have been evident in each congregation. What great joy to hear these dear believers are walking in truth (3 John 4).

We're on our way to meeting our goal of \$200,000 by mid-2023 to purchase our current building for Agape Baptist Church. Pray if God would have you or your church invest in this opportunity to continue to reach Colombians with the Gospel for generations to come. You can make your tax-deductible gift Online (www.mwbm.org) or by mail (address to the left), and mark it "A.Vance—Building."

We look forward to hosting another team from Medical Mission Outreach to do an Optical clinic from June 22- July 1, 2023. If you are interested in joining this trip, find more information on their website: www.medical-outreach.com.

AUBRIE & AARON'S HEALTH

We still have no definitive answers concerning Aubrie's autoimmune condition. She has gone through five levels of testing to pinpoint the issue but to no avail. As of now, we plan to follow up with rheumatologist and neurologist specialists in Colombia. Pray that we find some answers soon.

In December, I also had more imaging and tests done to see how my arm was healing after being run over by a truck in January 2022. Unfortunately, one of the fractures in my forearm still hasn't progressed as expected. We're still looking at a possible bone-graft surgery next year to fill in the gaps. They also suspect I am developing Dupuytren's Contractures in one of my hands which may require surgery in a couple of years if it worsens. We long for that glorified body!

■¡FELIZ NAVIDAD Y AÑO NUEVO!

From our family to yours, we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! May the peace of God keep your hearts; may his grace be sufficient in your needs; may his love define your identity; may his power fill your lives; and may his Word sanctify you in every good work. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

"For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; — 2 Corinthians 4:16-17



We thank God for the Cox family, a new nissionary family who has come to work with us in Colombia for a few years.



Each of our four girls joined me on a trip this year. Aris went with me to PA & she caught a big catfish on the way!



I was able to participate in Agape Baptist's second anniversary service in November.



Aubrie was involved in an accident in October. Though our van was totaled



Our youngest, Alethea, turned 5 in



(Along with the girls — Amira, Anabel, Aris, & Alethea!)