



Our last newsletter, aside from a Christmas greeting, was sent in October, and covered meetings through October 11, 2015. In some ways, it seems the time has flown. But so much has happened since then, that we could take up several pages updating you. However, we will try to sum it up for you in the following paragraphs. Your prayers and support have carried us through!

OCTOBER

In addition to ministering at the **Good Shepherd Baptist Church in Lafayette, IN**, we were excited to be a part of the annual **Mission Conference at Bible Baptist Church in St. Charles, MO**. Although we may not be considered "church planters," we diligently work alongside church planters in the United States, the Philippines, and wherever God opens the door. We were recently informed that there are **two new church plants in Metro Manila** that have been organized by those we were able to minister to and with on our last trip to the Philippines! Praise the Lord! Our desire is always to see fruit that remains long after we leave.

Pictured above from left to right are Alan and Angie, David and Malea Lusa-Slovenia, Pastor Steve Parks and Paula, Brad and Michelle Harris-Associate Pastor, John and Tammy Cooley-Burkina Faso, and Jeremy and Karissa Lynn-Ethiopia.



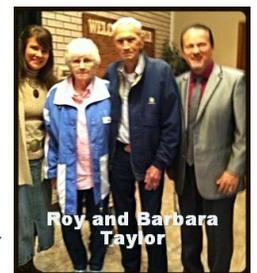
After two meetings in Indiana, we took a slight detour on our way to Oklahoma to visit one of our favorite places: the bustling city of Altoona, Kansas: population 414! Our good friend Charles Whisnant was the pastor of **First Baptist Church in Altoona** in the late '80s and '90's when we held annual revival meetings there. We grew to love the people there, and established lifelong friendships. On the night we visited, there was a revival meeting in progress, so we slipped in and enjoyed renewing some friendships of people we had not seen in many years. During the service, Evangelist Greg Waggoner called for testimonies. **What a tremendous surprise and blessing when Laura Busby stood and said that 25 years ago in October, she had been saved in a revival meeting at First Baptist with Alan preaching!** Today, she and her

husband and children are active in leadership and ministry. *Pictured to the left are Brett and Laura Busby and their two youngest children, Heather and Lauren.* We enjoyed fellowship with many others that evening. However, if we listed names or included more photos, we might leave someone out! We were pleased to meet the current pastor, Frank Thomas. We also were delighted to discover the talents of the Evangelist's wife, Sandra Waggoner. We picked up two of her children's novels, *Maggie's Treasure* and *July is Coming*, and thoroughly enjoyed them both. You can learn more about Sandra and her books at sandravaggoner.com.

NOVEMBER

The month of November started with a **revival meeting at the Bible Baptist Church in Frederick, Oklahoma**. Pastor Andrew Hayward and his family are doing a tremendous job in Frederick. During the meeting, Roy Taylor, age 79, stepped out to receive Christ as his Savior! The next night both Roy and his wife Barbara were baptized! You are never too old to make sure of your standing with God!

The following two weeks, we enjoyed a great service with our good friends, Jimmy and Susan McNeil at the **Pleasantview Baptist Church in Arlington, TX**, and an awesome Anniversary Sunday with Pastor Tim King and Kelcie at **Tabernacle Baptist Church in Crane, TX**. We traveled on to



San Antonio, TX, where we were privileged to lead in worship and preaching with **Congregation Beth Simcha**. We always enjoy the fellowship with our good friends, Russell and Gwen Cruzan. In the photo to the left, along with several of the sweet members of Beth Simcha, Gwen is standing behind Angie, and Russell is next to Gwen. Russell is an elder at Beth Simcha, and was a classmate of Alan's at Arlington Baptist College. Their friendship has been a blessing and encouragement to our family for many years. We enjoy the opportunity to celebrate and proclaim Jesus as Messiah with this wonderful congregation.



After a great Sunday with the **Faith Baptist Church in Madisonville, TX**, we had a November experience that was not so pleasant. To back up a little, in October we replaced our aging Excursion with a beautiful 2005 Durango. We traveled from Fort Worth, TX to Denver, CO with our son Anthony, his wife Anna, and Anna's sister Cara Combs. We were towing a trailer full of their belongings since they were planning to move to Denver in



December. After a wonderful Thanksgiving dinner with the Combs family, we headed back to Fort Worth with an empty trailer. The weather was not ideal, but we were trying to get ahead of worse weather to come. Near Hays, KS, we hit a large area of black ice, and lost control of the Durango. We went off the road, into a ditch, through a barbed wire fence, and rolled several times before coming to a stop upside down about 50 yards from the interstate. Miraculously, all five of us were conscious and able to leave the vehicle on our own power. (Actually on God's power!) There were some injuries, and there have been resulting surgeries and continuing therapy. Please **pray for Anthony** as he continues to work to regain strength in his left arm and wrist after a broken arm, and **for Cara** as she has a long road of therapy ahead of her as she works to regain strength in her back muscles after several compression fractures and many weeks in a back brace. We have replaced the equipment trailer, and are back in our Excursion and looking for another tow vehicle. After purchasing the Durango, we had intended to sell the Excursion, but had not had enough time at home to do so. Another point of prayer is for our **search for another vehicle**. We had found a great deal on the Durango, and are praying for a similar find.



DECEMBER

While helping to care for Anthony, Anna, and Cara as they recuperated from injuries and surgeries, we finished out the year with some great **Sunday meetings** in various churches in **Texas**. Just before Christmas, *Anthony and the girls completed their move to Colorado*, and we headed back to Indiana. We ended the year with a Sunday at **Twin City Baptist Temple in Mishawaka, IN** on December 27, but not before seeing off our oldest son, *Alex* as he flew from Cincinnati to the Philippines to make necessary legal arrangements and then *marry Ellain Garcia!* He met Ellain during our last trip to Manila, and now she is the newest Mrs. Harris in the family! *Please pray* for them as Alex is back to work at Landmark Church in Cincinnati. They will have to endure a long separation while awaiting the *approval of Ellain's visa*. The average processing time is 6-9 months, but we are praying that it will be unusually fast.

JANUARY-MARCH

During the first three months of 2016, we have been busy with meetings every week in Florida, Alabama, Ohio, Michigan, and Indiana. At the completion of writing of this newsletter, we have just finished three multi-day meetings: an annual Stewardship Revival at Blanding Blvd Baptist Church in Jacksonville, FL; a revival meeting at Crossroads Baptist Church in Mobile, AL; and a Stewardship weekend at Community Baptist Church in Grady, AL. As we head to Texas this week, we thank God for more opportunities to partner with pastors and other ministry leaders in the coming weeks.

It is our desire to see true revival among God's people and to see more people come into God's kingdom with a passionate desire to love and serve Him. As you pray for us, please pray toward that end. Some other immediate prayer needs are

- 1) a second computer*
- 2) wisdom and direction in finding another vehicle*
- 3) wisdom and direction in planning another trip to Manila.*

We never tire of saying thank you for your continued prayers and support, and for taking the time to read our newsletter.