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August 2024 Prayer Letter



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Friends,

I apologize for this August letter coming in September, but there was much going on and I wanted to be able to report on all of it!

July was packed full of activity as we worked at the home office. This year we had two separate weeks of CAMP BIMI, which starts early and runs late! It is designed to help those who feel an interest in missions. Each week is full of classes giving practical instruction and insight from missionaries who have “been there and done that.” There are also all kinds of activities which afford opportunities for personal interaction with camper and missionary. Both weeks were packed out this year creating a record year for CAMP BIMI.



August began with a week when the directors meet together for a few days of evaluation, planning, and encouragement. We examine the last year, and try to do all we can to improve for the upcoming year. Dr. Snyder shares his vision of what can be done to better inform and serve churches and improve our assistance to our missionaries. It is always a great time together.



Toward the last of the month I took a group of 16 to Aberdeen, Scotland, on a BIMI CONNECT Trip. These trips are designed for those who are interested in missions. So many times, people don't realize the practicalities of what missions life is really like. We plan these trips to work with a veteran missionary who can show what day-to-day missions really looks like. Inevitably, those who go come away with a deeper appreciation and much clearer understanding of missionary service. Also, as they look upon another area of the harvest field, another culture, sometimes

another language, their eyes affect their heart, (Lamentations 3:51) and their burden grows for the lost. We worked with Rick and Sarah Demastus, veteran missionaries in Aberdeen. God has blessed their work in an unusual way and they have a solid congregation with folk being saved and added to the church regularly. They were wonderful hosts and we all were blessed.

Now, we begin the Autumn Missionary Conference season. Please do pray for us as we travel and try to encourage churches and help our missionaries.

As always, thank you so much for trusting in us and investing in us. Carole and I are honored to be part of your mission's family.

*Ed & Carole*

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