

...encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near (Heb:10:25, NASB).

In Step With The Reeds

May 2019

GREETINGS!

Wow! It's already May!!! The year is flying by! Here is a report from our International Council meetings held in March, and our upcoming trip at the end of May...just a week away!

What significant time we spent listening to the hearts of our leaders from the four corners of the world at the IC (International Council) meetings up in *snowy* Calgary, Alberta. We are so blessed to work alongside these godly men and women who are pouring out their lives for the forgotten and marginalized around the world.



Praise and Prayer Review:

- Praise for meaningful connections at the IC.
- Praise for the provision of airfare for the upcoming trip to Dallas for training and then on to Honduras!
- Prayer for heart preparation for both the new appointees and for us as we train in Dallas and then continue to Honduras to encourage the Brenners.
- Prayer for safety and health as we board seven different flights in this next trip to Texas and Honduras.
- Prayer for additional monthly supporters.

On May 21st, we travel to a camp outside of Dallas, Texas, to meet with several other Action staff to provide cross-cultural training for a group of new ACTION missionaries. John and I will specifically speak on *“Resilience and Self Care,” “Conflict Resolution,”* and spend a LOT of one-on-one time with each missionary. Other topics to be addressed are: *“Cross-Cultural Adjustment and Adaptation,” “Stages of Growth as a Leader,” “Finishing Well,” “Team Dynamics,” “Child Safety and Protection,” “Expectations,” “Spiritual Life,”* and *“Spiritual Warfare.”*

The next week, we hop on a *“puddle jumper”* to fly to Honduras!! Mike and Lisa Brenner are on the eastern side of Honduras. It takes two flights in-country to get to them once we've landed in San Pedro Sula, ultimately landing on a dirt runway in **Puerto Lempira!**



Mike and Lisa Brenner have been on the field for about nine months. God called them to build a boys' home (La Casa del Camino) in Puerto Lempira. On January 28th of this year, they opened their home to 9 young men (aged 14-18 years) making it possible for them to attend a Christian school there. This is how Mike and Lisa described the need and their call from their mission page: actioninternational.org/missionary/mike-and-lisa-brenner.



“Because La Moskitia is an extremely impoverished area, it has limited, and in most areas no opportunity for education. IVA is a Christian school that just opened its doors in 2013. It provides the only free education beyond the sixth grade in all of La Moskitia. The opportunity for kids to earn an education (and to hear the gospel) is the key to keeping them away from the illegal activities of drug trafficking that are so prevalent in the area. When we learned from IVA’s directors that they reluctantly turn away potential students each year because there is no place to house them, we heard God’s calling on our hearts and on our future loud and clear! “

Lisa and Mike offer encouragement, nurture and accountability to these young men not only emotionally and physically, but also spiritually. When they invited us to visit, we eagerly accepted! The Brenners are new to this isolated field, and still learning the language. Pray that we will be used of the Lord to strengthen and refresh them!

We want to again thank you so much. We do not take your prayer and financial care for us lightly. Without you, we could not engage in this important dimension of Missionary Care.

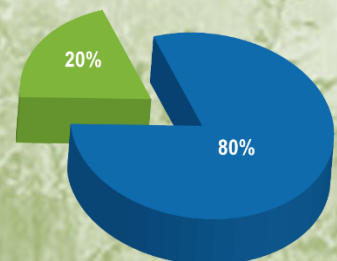
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“Let all that I am praise the Lord; with my whole heart, I praise His holy name. Let all that I am praise the Lord; may I never forget the good things He does for me.” Psalm 103:1-2