



Dear Pastors, Church Family, and Friends,

February - April 2025

We are writing with hearts full of gratitude as we reflect on the many blessings the Lord has graciously poured out over the past few months. Our recent short furlough has truly been a gift and we want to share some of the special ways He worked during that time.

One of the greatest joys of our furlough was being able to travel to help our daughter during a very special season of her life. We were blessed beyond words to be present for the birth of our grandson! Holding him for the first time and supporting our daughter through those precious early days is a memory we will treasure forever. We can't thank the Lord enough for the opportunity He gave us to be there with our family at such a meaningful time.



We were also able to visit and update a couple of our supporting churches. To reconnect in person, to share how the Lord is working in our ministry, to pray with those that are hurting, help with some projects and to express our appreciation for continued prayers and faithful support. These visits reminded us again how vital the encouragement is to the work we're doing.



We would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the Vanderhoofs, who so graciously filled in during our absence. Their willingness to step in and serve allowed us to focus on our family and ministry updates without worry. We are truly grateful for their servant hearts and the faithful way they ministered in our place.



As we prepare to return to the field, we do so with full hearts but also heavy hearts. It's never easy saying see you later to your children and now our lil grandson. We are reminded again of God's faithfulness—not only in the fruit of the ministry, but in the family He's given us and the faithful partners He's placed around us.



Thank you for standing with us. We praise God for each of you and look forward to sharing more of His good work in the days ahead.

Until He Comes, Gary and Claudia Heppen

Prayer Requests: Thank you for praying for our daughter and safe delivery of our grandson. Please continue to pray for her as a new mom and for her husband who's deployed, please pray for safe travels back to Germany and that we can get on a military hop, unity with our co-laborers In Christ, fellowship and counsel with seasoned believers In Christ and please pray for several unspoken requests.

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