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Dear Praying Friends and Supporters:

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*"For of him, and through him,
and to him, are all things:
to whom be glory for ever.
Amen"* Romans 11:36

PRAISE THE LORD...

- For providing us with a very nice van.
- For protecting our daughter and her family from hurricane Irma. Our son in law pastors in Tampa, FL. Neither the church building nor parsonage was damaged and our family is safe.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray for safety as we travel. September, October and November we have four meetings scheduled at Bible Colleges. Pray the Lord to use us as we meet students and interact with them.
- At one college I will teach a SMART module to mission's students; pray the Lord to lead me as I give them instruction.



As I write this letter my mind is thinking back to this time of the year in 1987. Our family of four had just used our one-way plane tickets to travel to Nairobi, Kenya. Getting off the plane I suppose we struggled a moment to accept the fact that we knew no one; that meant that no one was there to meet us! Oh, but wait... someone was there. The Ever Faithful One—the One Who had asked us to leave father, mother, houses and lands for Jesus' sake—He had gone on ahead of us and He was there to receive us! You know the song Great is Thy Faithfulness and you've read Lamentations 3:23, but we want to use our letter this month to recount God's faithfulness—in particular, His faithfulness to us. Read along and celebrate the greatness of our God and His faithfulness!

Our faithful Father has *protected* us. Those times when our home in Kenya was invaded by gangs of robbers, we only lost stuff. God protected us in the presence of our enemies. He protected as we were exposed to tropical diseases; even as we ministered to some with HIV/AIDS. He protected as we often traveled very dangerous highways.

He has been faithful to *guide*. In those early days—through our deputation, when we hardly had a clue of what we were getting into. Guiding us on to Kenya and getting us settled there. Guiding us to the location of our first preaching point on the outskirts of Nairobi—this later became Runda Baptist Church. He also guided us to start a church in Uganda. Later the Lord directed us to move to the other side of Kenya and start a Bible Institute. Faithfully He guided and eventually eleven churches were started. Then, just a few years ago He led us back to the States to open the SMART ministry.

He also has been faithful to *provide*. If you ask a faith-supported missionary about their support they could tell you that it varies every month—sometimes by a \$1000 or more. Don't read that as a complaint; it is meant to reinforce the fact that in spite of varying monthly support, God is faithful to provide financially. He also provides faithful partners. Sixty percent of our supporters have faithfully supported our ministry for twenty five years, or more—some have supported for the entire thirty years we have served!

We praise the Lord for answering prayer and providing us with a 2008 Chrysler minivan (pictured below). It has low miles and is in excellent condition. Thank you for praying for our vehicle need for the past year and a half. We also thank you for your continued financial and prayer support of our ministry. May the Lord richly bless you for your faithful service to our glorious King!

Thankful for His faithfulness and yours,

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