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## Update:

Happy New Year Everyone,

Beka and I are very grateful for all the Lord did for us this past year. We put over 75,000 miles on the car this past year and presented in many churches. We had our ups and downs on the road, but praise the Lord we did not have any accidents nor any major repairs done to the car. God has been faithful to us, and we are grateful for all of your prayers for us.

November was a busy time for us as we were wrapping up our last few Missions Conferences for the year. We traveled to Arizona, North Carolina, and South Carolina before traveling back to Texas to celebrate Thanksgiving with my family. It was a joy to be with family during that time to be able to give thanks. We also had many opportunities to share the gospel with folks as we traveled, including a lady at the front desk of a hotel. As I mentioned Japan and initiated a conversation about salvation, she immediately brought up how she wasn't happy about not being in church for many years. She wanted to get back in. We were excited to be able to point her to some good churches she could attend.

December is my (James) favorite time of the year. Decorations, lights, and the multiple opportunities to invite people to churches for services that are emphasizing the birth of our Savior. We traveled to meetings in both of our home states of Texas and Michigan, and enjoyed opportunities to present the needy field of Japan. Since we had meetings in both states, it allowed us to spend Christmas with both of our families. It was a blessing to us since we are praying about being in Japan sometime this year, Lord willing. We are excited to let everyone know that we are now at 74% of our needed support.

## **Prayer Requests:**

Please pray for us as we raise the last 26% of support that is needed. Also, please pray that we will be able to completely fill our schedule as we travel from meeting to meeting. We are thankful for the times that we were able to share the gospel over the holiday season and are praying for many more opportunities in January and February. Please pray for our son Joshua. Over the past few months he has been sick many times. With a couple of doctor's visits and medicine he has been a lot better. We are praying that he will stay healthy as we continue on the road. Once again, thank you very much for all of your prayers and support. I look forward to sharing with you all the Lord does in the next few months.

James, Rebekah, and Joshua Scott Missionaries to Japan