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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

SMART Ministry Update

The next **SMART** module is scheduled for November. Please pray that the Lord will guide us as we work out the remaining details. Several missionaries have said that they plan to attend.

For those who don't yet understand what *SMART* is about, I encourage you to visit biomissions.org/smart. There you can find a descriptive brochure along with a copy of the course catalog.



TERRY & BARBARA CHILDERS

"Building Durable Missionaries So They Keep on Going"

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Dear Praying Friends:

My wife and I thank the Lord for enabling us to remain on duty, serving our missionary colleagues in spite of COVID-19 restrictions. I think about the two decades when we served on the foreign field and remember what a great blessing it was to know that we could depend on the mission office staff to take care of things that we needed to have done "back in the States".

In the month of June we received word that Dr. Richard Vick had been called home to Heaven. Not only was he a true leader and statesman in world-missions, he also was a friend and mentor to us. In 1985 when Barbara and I were seeking the Lord's will for our life we had the opportunity to travel in Africa with him and his wife. During those three weeks the Lord showed us that His will for our life was missions. Later that year Dr. Vick founded the organization that is now called Baptist International Outreach. For these past thirty-five years BIO has enjoyed the privilege of being used by the Lord to serve local churches, strengthen their missions ministries and to seek out new missionaries.

We thank the Lord for blessing our annual missionary training school last month. The theme was *Making His Name Great*; it is taken from Malachi 1:11, "For from the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same my name shall be great among the Gentiles..." It was a good gathering of veteran missionaries and new missionaries. One added blessing was that the Lord brought in three prospective missionary candidates who spent the week with us. The summer training school is just one aspect of BIO's training ministry; see the sidebar at the left for an update on the specialized training ministry, a.k.a. *SMART*.

A few people have asked about my trip to Nigeria so here is an update. We are thankful for some donations which have come in for my travel expenses; they are safely tucked away in our work-fund account. Right now however the trip is on hold until travel restrictions are removed. Please continue praying that the Lord will provide the remaining \$1800 for the trip.

We do want to thank all of you who support us with prayer and finances, may the Lord richly bless you for your ongoing investment in our ministry. It is truly amazing to think how that some of you have supported us for the entire thirty five years that we have been in missions!

Yours in Christ,

Terry and Barbara Childers

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