

INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE
OF MILITARY MINISTRIES
THE **ALVERSONS**
MINISTERING TO OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL
AND THEIR FAMILIES



Fall 2021

Dear Prayer Partners:

Fall has fallen in on us and we welcome it with open arms. I'm always happy when "the summer has ended." Of course, we praise the LORD for all the seasons. I just like the fall time best as the weather is cooler. However, I can't rejoice too loudly because Joyce loves the warmer weather.

The fall months always bring us a busier schedule as we are traveling more during this time preaching mission conferences and representing Military Missions in different churches. We just got home from an 8-state, 3,000 mile journey where we had some great meetings. We were able to help raise thousands of mission dollars to help missionaries get support and others to be sustained on the mission fields.

Fall is also the celebration of the birthdays of some of the military branches of service. The Navy celebrated their 246th birthday on October 13 (1775) while the Marine Corps observes their 246th on November 13 (1775). The Air Force is considered a young branch marking their 74th birthday on September 18 (1947). For the record the Army's birthday was June 14, 1775 (246TH), The Coast Guard, August 4th, 1790 (231st), while the Space Force (the youngest) celebrates their 2nd birthday on December 20, 2019. We thank God for and honor all who have served or are serving in any of these branches of military service. Please pray for our military personnel and their families wherever they are serving around the world.

September was "Suicide Prevention Awareness" month in the military. This has become a major problem with so much PTSD the recent wars have brought. Our military people have gone through some deep waters these past 20 years. There were 580 active duty military men and women who took their lives this past year. In addition to this, an average of 23 veterans committed suicide *every day* during the past year. Again, please pray for not just the *active duty* but also for the *veterans* who have served our great country.

Please continue to pray for our military missionaries serving our military personnel in various parts of the world. With COVID restrictions, increased PTSD and many other problems they are facing, it is becoming even more difficult for them in this ministry. However, they are committed to staying by the stuff because they know that military "people need the LORD." We now have two overseas churches that need pastors. Please pray especially for God to touch more hearts for more laborers to surrender to this great effort of reaching our military for Christ.

As November approaches Joyce and I are preparing to leave for our next conference near Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. We always look forward to working with our dear friend Pastor Jon McConkey and the Maranatha Baptist Church there in Jacksonville and preaching to and rubbing elbows with these Marines. Then we will travel to Hickory, North Carolina, and preach in one of our long-time supporting churches at Bethel Missionary Baptist, Pastor Terry Ritchie.

As we look forward to Thanksgiving, may it be a real time of giving thanks to Almighty God for His bountiful blessings showered on our country (Psalm 116:12, 17).

Once again, thank you, our dear friends and supporting churches, for your faithful support of this ministry to our military people. You have given and you have prayed that we may continue this effort of reaching our military for Christ. We love you and thank God for your standing with us through these 37 years. We remain...

In Christ's Service,


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