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Gearing Up!

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Last November, BIO joyfully celebrated 40 years of God's faithfulness as a mission. Our annual meeting in Pigeon Forge was a season of rejoicing, filled with heartfelt testimonies and powerful preaching that reminded us how the Lord has worked through every season of ministry. We were blessed to hear from retired missionaries who have faithfully served over the decades, as well as from those just beginning their journey of service.

As the meeting drew to a close, I preached from Philippians 3, calling us to reflect on God's past faithfulness while pressing forward with renewed energy and vision for the future. Two faith-filled goals were presented: to retire the BIO mortgage within the next five years and, by God's grace, to welcome 25 new missionaries into the BIO family during that same period (five per year). In 2025, the Lord allowed BIO to welcome four missionary families and one single lady into our mission family. We earnestly ask you to join us in prayer, seeking the Lord's direction and provision as we pursue these goals for His glory.

As the new year begins, we are prayerfully **gearing up** for what God has before us. Plans are underway to travel to at least three countries this year: the Philippines, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, and Ethiopia. Please pray for wisdom, open doors, and safe travel as these trips are finalized.

We are also **gearing up** for a full schedule of meetings here in the United States. Over the next two months, I will be speaking in churches in Tennessee, Florida, and Michigan. Please pray for safe travel and that the Lord would use these opportunities to encourage His people in the work of missions.

In addition, we are **gearing up** for several BIO conferences on the calendar this year. Our annual BIO Enrichment Week will be held in June, providing a time of encouragement and edification for missionaries on deputation and furlough. At the end of July, the Avon Park Correctional Institution Missions Conference will again be held for the church inside the prison. These men continue to faithfully pray, give, and even send missionaries to other countries after their release. Finally, our annual Fall Conference will take place in September and will be hosted by Lighthouse Baptist Church in Ludington, Michigan. Please pray as I organize and prepare for these meetings.

On the family front, we are also gearing up for two more grandbabies. Our daughters, Amber Gonzales and Aimee Cortez, are both expecting. Please pray for them and for healthy pregnancies.

Thank you for your faithful prayers and financial partnership with us. We thank God for you and pray for you as you also **gear up** for all that the Lord has ahead in 2026.

Thank you so much for your prayers and support. We love you and pray for you!

John 10:16 "And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd."