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As America celebrates 250 years as a nation, many have reflected on the familiar phrase, "from sea to shining sea." While we are grateful for the freedoms God has given our country, Scripture points us to an even greater vision: "He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth" (Psalm 72:8). Together with you, we have the privilege of laboring toward that glorious day when Christ's reign will be proclaimed throughout the earth.

Over the past several weeks, the Lord has allowed us to minister in a variety of places, each with the common purpose of encouraging and strengthening those involved in missions. We traveled to Pensacola, Florida, to celebrate the graduation of one of our missionary kids alongside our missionaries serving the Lakota Sioux in South Dakota.

One week later, I had the privilege of traveling to Mehlingen, Germany, where I participated in Jeremy's ordination and preached the commissioning service for Jeremy and Shamberly Coleman as they were sent out through BIO. I flew directly to Shreveport, Louisiana, for the Maximize Conference at Louisiana Baptist University, where I represented BIO alongside one of our missionary families serving in Bolivia. It was a joy to celebrate Melany Parrott's graduation and rejoice in how the Lord continues to prepare and use His servants.



Shortly after returning home, we were finally able to travel to Michigan to meet our granddaughter, Sophia Anne Cortez.

Back home in Tennessee, we hosted BIO's annual Enrichment Week, where seven mission-

ary families gathered for biblical instruction, practical training, fellowship, and encouragement under the theme, *Becoming a Student*. It was a wonderful week of investing in missionaries as they prepared for continued effectiveness on the field.

We would appreciate your prayers for ministry opportunities the Lord has placed before us. I am currently organizing the annual missions conference at Avon Park Correctional Institution. Please pray that God will use this conference to challenge hearts and strengthen men to participate in the Great Commission through prayer and giving.

At the end of July, Nicole and I plan to travel to the Philippines, where we will spend time encouraging missionaries and visiting ministries. The trip will also include a very special family blessing as we anticipate welcoming our newest grandson into the world (Simeon John Gonzales). We are thankful for the opportunity to minister while celebrating what God is doing both in our family and through His work in the Philippines.

In August, Nicole and I plan to travel to St. Vincent and the Grenadines where I have been invited to preach the anniversary service for one of our newer missionary families. It will be a privilege to encourage them and rejoice in what the Lord has accomplished through their ministry.

Wherever our travels take us, our desire remains the same—to strengthen those who are faithfully carrying the Gospel to the ends of the earth. Thank you for partnering with us through your prayers and faithful support as we labor together for the day when Christ's dominion will be proclaimed "from sea to shining sea."

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

"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." John 10:16