

Our September 2015 Prayer Letter

Dear Brethren,

First of all, thank you to those who have started to give, those who occasionally give, and to those ‘die-hards’ who have sacrificed, giving to the Lord on our behalf, continuing to help us since we started. Our trip home was unexpected, and with that came some unprepared costs. Our savings have been wiped out due to the trip and related costs, but the Lord knows and will handle it.

We have been able to spend a good bit of time with our family, here, and really have been enjoying it. In Indiana last month, I worked with my father-in-law and his young sons putting on roof beams with a Bobcat on their property. We were blessed to be with them. They are considering working in the Philippines as missionaries. Please pray for the Lindley’s. In Michigan and Ohio, we’ve been able to participate in some family outings and have fun at some of our relative’s birthdays, and we will be able to attend a wedding of one of Joanna’s sisters. The wedding will be at the end of October and then it will be time for us to fly back to Moldova—arriving by bus to Ukraine.

The embassy is requiring more for the visas than it did the last time we purchased them, so our first applications were denied (although our money was refunded, praise God). That being said, we decided to push back our flight once more, so we can apply for the visas here (staying with family and being able to attend the wedding), instead of trying to apply in Moldova and having no prepared place to stay. We have been gathering the additional documents and, just today, sent them to be translated by a licensed notary. That will take at least a few days, and then we should be able to send everything, once again, to the embassy. Lord-willing, our visas will arrive shortly after. We plan to head back on November 3rd, with or without visas. If we don’t get the visas, we’ll then have three months to work in the country before we’ll have to leave, hopefully with an invitation in hand.

We have a friend of Andre’s, Yuri, who is working on new registration of the church in our new area. Yuri worked in the prison ministry for years and I believe he’ll be a blessing to us and Andre. He got out of the ministry for a time but Andre has dealt with him about the problems that sometimes happen in the ministry and Yuri wants to do something for the Lord again. He can play the guitar and has written several songs which he plays in the prisons. He found a place to rent and now can start with documentation so the authorities can verify all the facts to register our new church...so that we can receive a visa under the church auspices.

Meanwhile, in Lincoln Park, Michigan, we’ve been staying with Joanna’s mother. I’ve been filling the pulpit off and on (with another brother) for Pastor Ron Leggitt, at Lighthouse Baptist Church. Pastor Leggitt has sarcoidosis which can be very, very painful...he has all three types. When Bro. Currington was living Pastor Leggitt, along with his wife, was the editor of all RU publications, and he has been credited with having the largest RU program in the nation. Please pray for him and his wife, and the Lighthouse Baptist Church ministry.

Thank you for your Prayers,

The Wiles Family