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Dear Pastor and Church,

April 2026 Prayer Letter

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. April was a great month to serve the Lord! God worked in all of our meetings and gave us incredible fellowship with the pastor's, their wives and families, and the church folks. We were in six different types of meetings this month but all of them were blessed and fruitful.

1. A pastor's conference – we attended the bi-annual pastor's conference at Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Saint Clair, Missouri. The preaching and fellowship were fantastic as usual. This great church runs a weekly Hope meeting for their community.
2. A Family conference – it was our first time in Graceway Baptist Church of DeMotte, Indiana. We had such a great time with Pastor Hon and his family as well as the church folks. We also had many visitors come to see us from around the area.
3. A Revival – In Springfield, Illinois at Grace Baptist Church we had a great meeting. We also had a wonderful time with the church and Pastor Peacock's family. They have a family farm, and we got to spend time with the whole family there. Spending time with pastors' families is always a blessing for us and we really enjoyed the kids. The new kids' books were a great hit there also!
4. College and HOPE Classes – It wasn't on the schedule, but we stopped in at Fairhaven Baptist Church in Chesterton, Indiana. They started Weekly HOPE meetings this year. We were able to stop by and visit their weekly Hope meeting. They were very gracious to allow us to park our Fifth Wheel there and even leave it while we ran up to our next meeting. They also asked both of us to teach a class in the college while we were there. Angela taught the ladies while I taught the men. We were able to fellowship with so many including Pastor Mitchell and his family for a lovely evening at their house.
5. Emotional Health Sunday – Northside Baptist Church in Hammond, Indiana hosted us to preach an Emotional Health Sunday. God moved and the church was very receptive to the messages. Pastor Steve Harvey and his family have been faithful here to reach out to the city and there was such a sweet spirit. We greatly enjoyed getting to spend time with brother Harvey and his wife in the afternoon as we were there.
6. A missions' conference – We closed out the month at Buckley Road Baptist Church in Liverpool, New York. Pastor Travis Smith, his family, and the church were all so gracious and generous the whole week. There were four missionaries total at the meeting, and I got to preach each service. Every service God moved and on Sunday Morning two adults walked the aisle and received Jesus Christ as their Savior. You couldn't ask for a better answer to God's blessings on a meeting. This church has been running weekly HOPE meetings for several years and have started to really see God move in them. It was great to spend time with the families serving in this ministry. We also had a great time of fellowship with the Smith's, it is wonderful how God has allowed us to connect with so many great preachers and their families.

Please keep us in your prayers. As I write I am trying to determine how God wants us to proceed regarding a breakdown in our truck again. Constant travel is hard on equipment even if you care for it. Please continue to pray for our monthly support. I have opportunities to go overseas to help some churches coming up but need God to provide the finances for that before we can make definite plans. (Update: After counsel with our pastor we have decided to replace the truck)

Our plans for this next month include meetings in Kansas, Colorado, and Utah. Please pray for our travels and meetings as we serve the Lord.

In His Service,  
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Here are a few pictures of the meetings mentioned in the letter.

