Dear Praying Friends,

January/February 2016

## Praises:

Safety in travelling

10 meetings

4 conferences

1 profession of faith

5 new supporting churches

75% of needed support

Healthy baby boy

## **Prayer Requests:**

Remaining 25% of support

Donna's recovery

Spring schedule to be filled with new meetings

Happy New Year! Psalm 127:3 says, "Lo, children are an heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward." It is a joy to be able to announce the birth of our second child! Ryan Joseph Childers was born on Wednesday, December 30, 2015 at 12:13 PM. He was 19.5 inches long, and weighed in at 6 pounds 11 ounces. He has been given a clean bill of health. When Brielle saw her little brother for the first time, she said, "I like it!" Donna is doing well, but we would appreciate your prayers as she continues her recovery. Our prayer is that she would be able to attend each of our upcoming meetings as we get back on the road in mid-to-late January.

Over the past two months, we were able to present our burden for Grenada in ten more churches, including four missions conferences. We were able to be at home and not travel for three weeks at Christmas, culminating in the birth of our son. During that time, we were able to share the gospel with those whom we came in contact with. Donna made Christmas cookies for our home church's shut-ins, while Brielle and Joseph had the pleasure of delivering the cookies and visiting with these prayer-warriors. We thank the Lord that it has been a time or refreshment and time with family.

We will be taking a lighter travelling schedule for the next five weeks, with all but one meeting being in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Each of these meetings is within 45 minutes from our home base. From there, we will be in western New York for a couple of weeks, before trekking south to Tennessee for a missions conference in late February.

We have had several recent opportunities to speak to others of their need for Christ. One couple in particular, a couple named Frank and Cheryl, are Catholic. We spoke about our "job" as missionaries. They told us they lived by the Golden Rule and quoted it— "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." We told them we live by the Gospel, and quoted to them verses, telling them how they could have an eternal home in Heaven. Although they did not accept Christ that day, we left them with several Gospel tracts. A seed was certainly planted there. Please pray they will come to accept Christ as Saviour. We are also thankful that at the end of one of the messages that Joseph preached, a man named Richard came forward to be saved.

We would ask that you would pray for the remainder of our spring schedule to be filled as we desire to leave for the mission field within six months. Please pray also for our missions DVD presentation videographer, Israel, and his wife, Shalee. Their baby boy, named Job, is due in three months, but was diagnosed with a rare genetic disorder that probably will not allow him to live long past birth. Please pray for God's will to be done in this situation.

Thank you again for your faithfulness in praying for us and for God's blessings in our ministry!

In Christ,
Joseph, Donna, Brielle, and Ryan Childers

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