

"Stand up and bless the LORD your God for ever and ever" - Neh 9:5

"Stand up and bless the LORD your God for ever and ever." This call given in Nehemiah 9 is well fitting for God's people. But only after gathering with contrite hearts (v1) with fasting, only after living separated from the world, having repented of their sins of worldliness (v2), only after much time in God's word on our knees (v3), only then are we prepared to "stand up and bless the LORD" (v5). One thing above all which the Lord impressed upon my heart regarding the sin-sick condition of my beloved homeland is how unprepared folks are. It is our sincere prayer that churches in America seek the Lord the same way Israel did in Nehemiah 9.

PRAISES: March saw Cathy & I travel from CO to OK to KY to IN to GA and finally home to Charlotte, preaching in 8 supporting churches and 1 new church plant in CO. April 1st, I left for Ukraine leaving Cathy Stateside for her parent's 50th anniversary & Noelle's upcoming graduation from Heartland Baptist College. Upon my return, I'm amazed as to how much work John-Steven has been able to accomplish over the winter in my absence, and also how much effort & energy he's devoted to the church, especially the Youth Group.

Protection: the Lord spared Kendon from harm in a late-winter accident in OKC. Pray for funds to fix the car.

***BUILDING:** John-Steven continues working on the church building fulltime, big thanks for the support from our churches. Definitely waiting for Spring to get the outside of the building insulated & finished. Amen. Thankful for every church/person for giving!

PRAYERS: Gas document, still need that last paper. **Co-laborers:** continue to pray for the Faulkner Family as they are still on Deputation. **Visa regime:** pray that Ukraine removes restrictive visa requirements for missionaries. Mission Trips: summer is here soon. What would the Lord have you do for eternity?

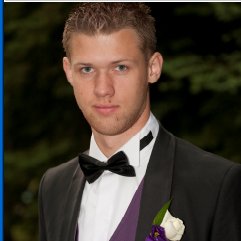


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March 5th our son, John Steven, turned 22 years old! He and wife Nina are still working in vital roles with our ministry in Ukraine, both in construction and as our Youth Pastor. They are in need of financial support as they serve. Can you help?

April 24th our youngest son, Kendon, turned 20 years old! No more teenagers in our nest. A blessing to my heart is that during his college summer break he will be visiting us in Ukraine! We look forward to hearing what God has been teaching him.



Our furlough continued taking us to precious supporting churches in Colorado, Kentucky, Indiana, South Carolina, North Carolina. We are especially thankful to God that we were able to spend time with two special men and their families during this furlough trip before their deaths. John's Uncle, Steven Carr of Alaska, lost his battle with cancer and John's dear friend Chris Kelly of North Carolina, lost his fight with leukemia. We rejoice that both are now present with the Lord. Our prayers are with their families.

April 3rd - John returned to Ukraine! A joy to be home again. John started a new Bible Study at the church during the week, began his paper chase to receive a one year stay in Ukraine, and began preparations for the next phase of the church construction.

THANK YOU! To all who are faithfully keeping us uplifted fervently in prayer. Ukraine is darker than ever and in need of His light.



50th wedding anniversary! God allowed me to be present when my parents, John and Sue Worth, celebrated their Golden anniversary. The next day my father ended up in the hospital for seven days and I was thankful to be able to be at his side.

Salvation! While on furlough we have been out door knocking with many faithful brethren. In North Carolina, Teresa Kofsky and I saw this young lady receive Christ!

