



# Report from Jacksonville, North Carolina

## JULY

Dear Friends,

God has been so gracious to us in the time that has passed since our last prayer letter! You may remember the serious nature of our last letter as we were facing some financial difficulties that we shared with you. God always amazes us in the ways that He provides and this time it was no different!

- He used a children's missionary club at one of our supporting churches to take us on as a project. They brought up a load of food, and other pantry items, that filled up our pantry for a couple of months! We still haven't finished using some of the items they brought.

- He also used some of our supporters to send one-time gifts. It is humbling, when we think of the many ways that your support dollars could be used, that you would choose to partner with us in our ministry to the military.

- One of our supporting churches increased our monthly support.

- Another supporting church sent us money to build a new shed. Much thanks go to *Livingston Baptist Church* and *Grace Baptist Church*!

**We are excited to tell you about what is happening at the Center!** Just before the holidays, we saw a couple of single servicemen, *Tim* and *Calvin*, deploy overseas. We still had our military families around and about, but we were really missing our single guys. You know how much our Discipleship Program means to us, and we were not seeing many who were interested in pursuing it, and the



**John-Caleb, John & Sheila, Emily  
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primary ones who were, were gone! We have been praying that the Lord would send us people to whom we can minister, and He has answered that prayer with a **yes!** These folks have also gotten involved in the Discipleship Program. *Jonathan, Joe, Vicki, Tim, Lageana, Colleen, Steven* and *Miranda* have all been introduced to the program. Colleen and Steven are working through the Abundant Life portion and Lageana is just getting started. We would love to see more new faces throughout this year. As you pray for our outreach, please pray that the Lord will send singles to us - singles whom the Lord could send to Bible College. Bible College has been a very important part of our training and lives, and we have a great desire to see men and women biblically trained for the Lord's use.

I have been busy teaching three Bible studies a week: two at the Center on Tuesdays and Fridays, and one on Wednesdays at church. **Please pray** for grace to grow and mature in the word of God, also wisdom as the Lord gives *Sheila* and me opportunities to counsel and share the Gospel.

Our financial situation really remains the same as when we wrote to you last. **We are still in need of additional monthly support (approximately \$1,000)**. We have done, and will continue to do, all that we can to be good stewards of what the Lord has entrusted us with. **Please pray that the Lord would give us wisdom in this regard.**

#### **FAMILY NEWS:**

I have officially retired from the United States Navy after 24 years of service. I have an indefinite I.D. card that allows us to access the base easily.

*John Caleb* enjoyed his first year at Fellowship Christian Academy and will return this fall for the eighth grade. He begins soccer practice next week and is actually looking forward to school beginning this fall.

*Emily* received a full scholarship to FCA and so will be joining her brother there this fall for fourth grade. She continues with gymnastics and both of the children are taking piano lessons as well. We are grateful for your prayers for our family for they are our first mission field!

Our co-workers, *Maurice* and *Sahar Bonilla*, continue to help us with the cooking and hospitality at the Center. *Joe* and *Vicki Parker* also help when their work schedules allow.

**WE ARE GRATEFUL** for your faithful prayers and support as we prepare souls for eternity.



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