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Greetings from northern Montana!

Our prayer for you is that this letter finds you doing well in The Lord in these last days! We have had many things going on here in the past few months. As you may remember, The Lord provided us with a beautiful building here in Havre! We are still arriving at church on Sunday mornings thinking, do we really get to keep this? It has been a tremendous blessing! We want to start by thanking those of you that have helped with Bible Camp this year as we had two professions of faith. Hallelujah! Also, much thanks to those that are helping to raise the funds to pay this building off early! As of this writing since we went into the building owing 50K, in the 8 months past we now have the funds and need only \$18,400.00 to be free and clear on the building! I praise The Lord for His touch in this! We are praying for some of our visitors that they may be saved and join the church. We also have a family who gives testimony of salvation that we are praying will join the church. I am praying we can pay off this building and become a self sufficient work in the next ten years. It has been a long and busy fourteen years here, but what blessings we have seen! Thank you again, in obedience to The Lord, for your part in the establishment of Havre Baptist Church.

As you know, my contract job ended last fall when the company I worked for lost their contract. This put us in a precarious predicament with our medical needs, particularly with Penny's ongoing medical needs. I have started working a new job driving a Coca-cola transport truck which comes with insurance benefits. I am still driving a school bus also. Many of the kids we have had the chance to share the Gospel with, have been due to the bus route. We have also had a chance to visit the parents- sharing the Gospel and inviting them to church services. I tell the folks at church- which some are farmers, if we don't put out any seed, we won't have any fruit! God has been good as always! We have weathered the storm and it looks like we are on the other side now! I hope that in the future we can come to a place where the church can help in our support, but for now, we are supporting seven missionaries monthly with our recent addition of two more.

We baptised one young mom here in the church and two young men recently. Discipling the folks that have been born and raised in this region is somewhat difficult as first and foremost you must work through lots of what I call "religious frufu" as well as traditions and get them squarely looking at Scripture for their doctrines. However, we have one young couple that just had their third child. The dad, Charles, now teaches the adult Sunday school and has grown leaps and bounds over the last year or so! I believe God is going to call him to preach. Help me pray on this as this young man who is native Montana farmer/rancher would be the ideal man to perhaps pastor Havre Baptist Church one day!

Lastly, please pray a hedge about the work here. You well know the enemy works in the background and is out to destroy what has been built up here. We need the hedge of The Lord to keep us in the days ahead! Come and see, if you get the chance, what The Lord is doing here in Montana.

Prayer list: Souls for the labor building prayers for the work
 funds to payoff building health and strength for the work ahead

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