



# BIMI MISSIONARY EMERITUS Mike & Wilda McCombie

Winter 2020-2021

Dear Pastor and Church Family,

First, let us say **“thank you”** for your faithful prayers and support of our missions ministry during and since our transition and move from California to Tennessee in July 2020. Second, we are praising the Lord for His faithfulness in opening doors of opportunity to serve Him in churches across the Eastern USA, and are confident in Him (Phil. 1:6) that there will be more open doors in the future!

In the last four months of 2020 the Lord gave us opportunities to visit seven churches in our area, give ministry reports in two of our supporting churches, and attend, teach, and give a report during the missions conference in another supporting church. We had the privilege (for the first time in our own home) to host our complete family for Thanksgiving dinner...what a blessing that was! We had hoped to host our family again for Christmas, but my wife and I were both tested and diagnosed in mid-December with COVID, and we self-quarantined through the first week of January. Our plans obviously were changed, as has been the case for so many families and churches across our land during the pandemic.

In the first three months of 2021 we had the privilege to visit 13 churches in our area, meet the pastors and their people, give testimonies in a couple of them, and I was asked to preach in one. During this time period we found a number of churches in our area closed due to COVID that we had planned to visit, but even now we're seeing most churches opening up again to a full schedule of services. I had the privilege to give a report and preach in a supporting church in Virginia where our daughter and son-in-law's family are members (it was also an added blessing to visit them)! I was contacted by four pastors from the states of California, Arizona, Oregon and Ohio to request my assistance to help find missionaries for their mission conferences, and it was a blessing for me to contact 16 of our BIMI missionaries. We had enough of them available to fill those requested slots. We had the blessing of having lunch and fellowship with one of those missionary families, the Seth Demarest family (on furlough to the country of Uganda), as they were passing through our area in route to one of those meetings!

Having been a missionary for the past 28+ years, please pray for missionary families. Many find themselves in a “limbo” situation, with restrictions due to COVID, both on their field of service or while home on furlough, and for those on deputation trying to get to their field for the first time. And, having been a pastor for 15 years, I can sympathize with the pastors during this time of pandemic fears in their churches. As a pastor friend of mine posted on his church's Facebook page: **“In order for a pastor to fulfill the Lord's command to feed God's flock, the sheep must show up during feeding times.”** He also quoted: **“The more you miss church, the less you miss church. Be careful. It's time to return.”** Amen, well said! May we remain faithful to our local churches and obey the Great Commission until our Lord calls us home!

Sincerely for the harvest,

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Acts 1:8



**WE WILL NOT BE HAVING  
CHURCH UNTIL SUNDAY,  
DECEMBER 27, 2020!  
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND  
GOD BLESS YOU!**



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