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To the Advisory Board of the Joshua & Sunnyo Buck Mission Fund:

Greetings in the name of Christ! I hope this letter finds you well. Again, I am so grateful for the ongoing support and prayers of the JSB Mission Fund. As we come to the midpoint of the year, I would like to give another update on the past six months.

First, I would like to give an update on my doctoral program. As you know from my last letter, I have been in the dissertation phase. I am happy to report that I am near the end! My final full draft was recently graded and approved. The next and final step is my dissertation demonstration/defense. I hope to schedule that in the coming weeks. I cannot thank you enough for your prayers. I progressed through my dissertation faster than I anticipated. I give God all the glory. I felt His presence, power, and encouragement throughout. Despite the demands of full-time ministry and the challenges of writing so many pages, God sustained me and gave me the energy to finish. The whole experience has been a mystery and miracle. Your prayers have been felt!

Since I last wrote, our church began a refugee ministry. After seeing the news of refugees fleeing Afghanistan due to the Taliban takeover, we knew some were likely headed to the United States. As gospel people who were once aliens and strangers to God, but now welcomed into God's family through Christ, our church felt compelled to get involved. Having partnered with World Relief, an organization that works with churches to resettle refugees, we were connected to one Afghani family of eight and one Cuban refugee. The privilege to minister to them and reenact the gospel has been life-giving. Following Jesus often leads us to places of affliction and people in need. But it is there that Jesus is most present. There have indeed been challenges along the way, but we are thankful for the opportunity to bring the hope of the gospel to these refugees. Please pray that we would serve them in the wisdom and power of the Holy Spirit.

This summer Anderson is preparing for college applications. We can't believe his senior year is upon us. Please pray that God would lead and guide the college application process. Recently, he went on a week-long service trip to Washington state to help the poor and needy. Seeing him exercise his faith has been so gratifying for us. We give God thanks. Liberty is entering her sophomore year. She has grown into a young lady. These days people at church often mistake her for a visitor, wondering who this new young lady is! Liberty has joined our refugee ministry team. Because the Afghani family has a teenage daughter, Liberty has been assigned to help serve her. As she becomes more active in her faith, pray that she would continue to discover the joys of following Christ and serving others. We ask the same for Nathaniel, who is now preparing for seventh grade. He is slowly catching up to his sister in height! With Anderson preparing for college, his parents remind him that this might be his last year with his brother at home. He's weighing the pros and cons of that reality. Laura continues to homeschool our children and lead the children's ministry at church. Please pray that with all the demands of family life and ministry, Laura and I would continue to love God by blessing one another as husband and wife.

We cannot express how grateful we are for the love and prayers of the JSB Mission Fund. The sense of partnership in God's kingdom brings great encouragement. We pray that the JSB Mission Fund continue to bless other servants of God in the way we ourselves have been blessed.

In Christ,

Andy

P.S. Like always, a few pictures on the next page!

Pictures (clockwise beginning from top left): 1) Hosting Missionary Woody Kim and his colleague. 2) The kids enjoying a luau in Maui. 3) Our first meeting with Freddy, a Cuban refugee. 4) Baptizing our Associate Pastor's adopted son, Asher. 5) Anderson on his service trip in Washington.

