



December 15, 2020



Gratitude

A Strange Year

Like most of you, we have experienced the most unusual year of our lives. Our WorldView team has been challenged in ways we never imagined. With small changes and adjustments here and there, we have been able to continue the work all across the world. I want to express our sincere gratitude for the grace and goodness of God in 2020.

1. **I am grateful** for the faithfulness of God's people who continue to support WorldView and the families who serve with us. None of us have experienced any financial setback in spite of all the difficulties of the year.
2. **I am grateful** for the faithfulness and passion of our staff families. The McQuearys, Fennells, Olacheas, Caseys, Patenaudes, Overtons, and Bro. Hamann have pressed on through canceled meetings, schedule changes, illnesses and loss of loved ones. I am so blessed to serve with such a dedicated team.
3. **I am grateful** for the faithfulness and flexibility of our Associates who lead our translation projects. The Ngonamais, Stensaas's and Thangs are still on the field. The Levines, Cleghorns, Mosses and Longhofers are in the states. Some have been delayed from returning to the field, but remain committed to getting there as soon as travel is allowed. These are among the most dedicated servants of God I have ever known.
4. **I am grateful** that God allows us to be involved in Bible translation. We have been involved in this for over 14 years now and as the years go by, I am increasingly humbled that we get to be part of such a sacred and vital work.
5. **I am grateful** that in all things, *"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear... ..Be still and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth."* (Psalm 46:1, 2a, 10)

Covid Issues

FAMILIES with COVID — Including my wife and I, several of our WorldView families have had Covid. We are all on the good side of it now and doing better.

OVERTON FAMILY — The Overtons have taught some WVI-India classes online with our students who have internet access. For now, it looks like the next school year will start on time in June 2021. The silver lining during the Overton's time in the states is they were able to visit a few supporting churches and spend extra time with Toree's mother who is battling cancer.

CLEGHORN FAMILY — The Cleghorn Family has applied for their visas to return to Central Asia and they do see a potential path to getting there. Please pray their visas will be approved and received soon.

LLOYD HAMANN — Lloyd has finished deputation and raised support. He will be ordained on Jan. 24th at his home church in North Carolina and then be heading to Nepal as soon as it is reasonable to travel.

WorldView Team Meeting

We are planning for our annual Team Meeting on June 9-11, 2021 in Nashville, Indiana. Since we had to cancel last year's meeting, we are very much looking forward to this one. Please mark your calendar and let me know if you are interested in attending.

Family News

We had a record number of meetings this fall. We were home for the second half of November and that's when we both got Covid. So we only had to cancel one meeting. Our 2021 winter and spring schedule is full except for Easter Sunday and Mother's Day.

More than ever, our hearts are full of gratitude for your faithful support and partnership in ministry.

If you have not already done so, please note our change of address given in two previous emails. Our home church and WorldView offices moved to a new location.

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