

UNITED KINGDOM

"Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world." - James 1:27

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Dear Friends and Family.

We have started packing and cleaning our current rental to move to the house we will be staying in. It is closer to the Bible college where Glenda and I will go, and closer to Joshua's school. Hannah will be moving in with us as well. This will save me a lot of time being everyone's Uber. It was great to be able to see some of you while I was in Florida. My time was rushed and very short, but the bits I got were precious.

Raising kids is one of the most difficult tasks God has given us on this earth. They are a gift from the Lord, but trying to steward rightly the gifts He gives you can only be done leaning wholly on Him. Just when you think you got one sorted, the next one is completely different. It keeps you on your knees seeking His face.

We shared a couple months ago that Hannah has finished her final year at Bible college. She is going to work for a year to save up to go to Shasta Community College to get her elementary school teaching credentials. This will help to learn how to teach English as a second language on the mission field.

Zachary left for Navy boot camp in the Great Lakes July 28. His recruiter's name is Russelle from the Phillipines. As Russelle has been mentoring Zachary, it has given us the opportunity to show the love of God to him and share our faith. He came over for dinner and gave us his personal number to keep in touch. After 9

weeks in boot camp, Zachary will start learning how to be a ship mechanic and then he is contracted to be stationed overseas for 3 years and then stateside for 2 years. He was worried about the test he was going to have to take, but he ended up scoring much higher than he thought he would. He ended his time here by going to his last church youth camp before being shipped out. It was an incredible time where the Lord touched him deeply. We are believing that this time was significant to carry him through his next season in the military. He called us in the middle of the night letting us know he arrived at boot camp. That 20 second call is all we get for a while. Please pray for Zachary to be a light wherever he goes and whoever he is around. And please pray for us, to trust Father with our son. Attached is a picture of Zachary the morning he shipped off.



Jonathan had been learning blacksmithing over the winter at a nearby forge. One of the men at the forge asked Jonathan if he had thought about learning how to weld. He applied at the community college for summer welding classes and finishes up next week. In September, he will begin his next welding courses as well as take his basic classes that he needs to go to university for further learning in science fields. They told him that he should be able to get his welding qualifications by the end of the year. After that, they help students get jobs in that field.

Joshua finished 5th grade and is going into middle school. We are so thankful for what God has been doing in his life this past year, and look forward to seeing how he grows in this next year as well.

Thank you so much for your prayers and support.

In Christ. Steve & Glenda, Hannah, Jonathan, Zachary and Joshua



