

# The THOMPSON Times

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"... preach the word; be ready *in season* and *out of season*; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching."

2 Timotny 4:2

Hello Ministry Partner,

First of all, THANK YOU so much for your kind words and encouragement in response to my first prayer letter. You are a blessing and a gift to me. ☺

You may have heard about another mass shooting in Boulder, CO which is about an hour northwest from where we live; 10 people lost their lives that afternoon. They were there for their regular grocery shopping. None of them would have thought they weren't going back home that day. Life is so "unexpected". Are we ready?

As I was pondering the above verse "... be ready in season and out of season ..." Am I ready? Am I "blooming" where HE has put me, especially during Covid-19?

## **Ministry Updates**

#### Serve Asia (SA)

Honestly, I feel like life is busier than before Covid. Zoom has opened up more opportunities for people to gather together not just in the US but around the world (without traveling). Last week I had a SA International zoom at 7 am. There were about 30 SA Coordinators from Asia, Europe and N. America! Instead of "working from home" we are now "live at work"!

Right after I sent out our last prayer letter, two of our ministry partners immediately sent me resources on some of the topics SA is working on. I'm happy to let you know that SA hosted a seminar on "Missions and Honoring Your Parents" last week. A "Missions and Singleness" seminar is scheduled for May 4. There are more seminars scheduled for April and May. PTL and thank you for your prayers.



I'm struggling how to explain what SA Discipleship program means and what it looks like in practice. I hope this video helps explain our discipleship journey. **Discipleship Journey, Serve Asia:** https://vimeo.com/91723475

#### Healthcare Mission

We had a team meeting a few weeks ago discussing our Mission, Vision & Values—and how people can get involved. Please pray for next step.

#### **Church and Missions**

During our church's recent Mission Leadership Team meeting (Neil & I have been part of this MLT for many years.), we were brainstorming about how to make missions not just a better program, but part of our "church DNA". Then, it dawned on me that as a children's Sunday school teacher, I can easily teach them about missions. It would even be wonderful to have real missionary share with them. And, I have a perfect missionary for this—Neil! © Neil has been sharing with my kids about different missionaries for the past few weeks. PTL for wonderful volunteer. ©





Teaching Children Sunday School continues to bring me joy. Pray that stories (Bible and missionary) will lead them to have a deeper relationship with God and bear fruit in due time.

To learn more about our thoughts on church and mission, please visit this podcast and listen in <u>HERE</u>

### **Family Update**

Neil gave Ioana and me ESV Study Bibles for Christmas. I thought it would be nice to read the Bible together with Ioana. We ended up doing a weekly Bible study together. It is such a joy and blessing to be able to study the Word together with my daughter-in-law. This also enables us to share much more than just the Word; we share our stories and pray together. What a joy and privilege!

Please continue to pray for Nathan. He is currently unemployed and looking for engineering job.

Blessings, Wannee-Neil, Nathan, Kevin & Ioana