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## Dear Pastors and Supporting Churches,

The beginning of a new year has already brought many new things our way! On January 21st, Our first grandbaby, Aimee Louise Montoro, was born! (Louise is Tonja's middle name) Needless to say, we are very proud of our grand daughter and her parents. The Lord was gracious in the timing of the birth and allowing us to be a little part of it even half way around the world. Tonja and the girls stayed up all night, making cookies at 2:00am, getting updates periodically. When the end was drawing near, they woke us boys and we all celebrated the announcement together! Lord willing, we will meet our little Aimee in April. We also welcomed the arrival of Esther Sweitzer, a girl from one of our supporting churches in Pennsylvania. She is here for the next four months to help mostly with music lessons for our children, but also with the children's and teen ministries. We also began a new teen club, Soldiers for Christ, this year. This will replace our usual teen Bible studies for more of a competition type discipleship. We were encouraged to have nine teens present at the first club since most of our teens have not returned to church since Covid started in early 2020.

Please pray specifically for our teens. Most of them we have been in their lives for six years now, since they were young. Many have already made professions of faith for salvation, but few are living for Christ. Our desire is to see them surrender to God! Please continue to pray for Joe Sanchez and his family. Two of the teens are his children and he has a third teen that does not attend with the family. We are burdened to see this family surrendered completely to following God. Pray for Esther as she adjusts to the culture and temperature. I have heard her already say a couple of times, "This just doesn't feel like February." Continue to pray for Jesse, Andrew and Aimee as they make plans to visit Papa and GiGi in April. Pray for their health and provision. Finally, we would like to ask that you pray specifically this month for our former **Pastor**, Bryce Hager. He is the man that led me to the Lord in 1995, and had a vital role in my discipleship and training, and in our entire family growing in the Lord. He came down with Covid several weeks ago and it quickly turned to the Covid pneumonia. Many folks were fervently praying for God's intervention in sparing his life, and God graciously seems to have answered those prayers. Although he is still in ICU, he seems to be getting better each day, not worse. We are praying for his health to be restored completely and quickly without any setbacks, that he would stay encouraged in the Lord being alone in ICU, and for his wife and family to continue to have a peace and calm in their hearts and minds as they wait and trust in God.

Thank you for praying with us for our requests. What a blessing to know you would take your time to lift us up to our Heavenly Father, the only one that can do something about all of our needs.

Because of Him, Your missionary,; Bill Henderson