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## **JULY - AUGUST 2022 REPORT**

### **SUMMER**

It is hard to believe that summer is almost over. I realize there are still a few weeks officially on the calendar, but when school starts, practically speaking, summer is over. We may hold on to a few lovely days before the weather becomes cooler, but the summer season soon moves into fall.

When summer ends, life starts to get hectic in our meeting and travel schedule. Throughout the summer months, very few churches have mission conferences. Most churches are busy with camps, vacation bible school, vacations, and other summer activities. Most of our meetings in the summer are one-day or one-service meetings. The mission conference season begins when fall rolls around, thus multi-day meetings at one church. One finishes and then on to another. I love these meetings; they are a blessing in many ways. Looking at my calendar, the next two months are full. I appreciate your prayers for my wife and me as we travel and speak. We want to be used by God to encourage churches and individuals about what God is doing in this world.

### **SOME UPDATES**

#### **Asian Bible Project**

We have shared with you throughout this year about our Asian Bible Project, which is a collaborative effort between SL-Asia and Cleveland Baptist Church. God has blessed us; some of the Bibles purchased have shipped and reached the field, and distribution has begun through our national pastors. We have received a few video clips and some pictures of these Bibles being received. Seeing believers thrilled at getting a copy of God's Word brings great joy to our hearts. Our national pastors are excited about having these Bibles to give to those who need them. We have chosen nine countries for this project's initial phase: the Philippines, India, Vietnam, Cambodia, Thailand, Laos, Myanmar, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka.

Bearing Precious Seed in Milford, OH., is currently working on printing a container of Scriptures to ship to the Philippines for our Spiritual Leadership Conference Asia meeting. Please pray for the material to ship on time and clear customs for our meeting.

To promote this project, we are working on producing a brief video and will have it available on our website as soon as it is finished. Please pray for Churches here in America to get involved in this needy endeavor.

#### **More National Pastors**

We continue to see churches excited to partner with us in supporting national pastors and church planters in closed and restricted access nations of the 10/40 Window. We are now over 70 nationals being supported monthly through Spiritual Leadership Asia. The window to work for the Lord in some areas is limited, so we must capture the moment.

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## **Trip to the Philippines**

Niranjan Sundararaj, our Asian Director, and I have scheduled some meetings in the Philippines during the final week of November and into the middle of December. The purpose of these meetings is to prepare for next year's Spiritual Leadership Asia Conference. We plan to be in several churches and meet with pastors across the Philippines. If the Lord enables us to get to the Philippines and conduct the SLA Conference next February, five years will have passed since our last SLA Conference. So, we have some important things to address in preparation for the great meeting next year. A conference this size on another continent does not just happen. It has lots of moving parts that must be coordinated and planned.

As we all are discovering, the cost of international travel is escalating. I am grateful that we have been able to put away the money to cover this ticket and additional travel expenses for this coming trip. Thank you to those who support us monthly. As our international travel ramps up, we will need to raise some extra money to fund this side of the work.

You may have interest in joining us in the Philippines next February for this extraordinary meeting; if so, check out the [www.sl-asia.com](http://www.sl-asia.com) or [www.slconferenceasia.com](http://www.slconferenceasia.com) website for more information. One issue that might hinder some from attending is that, currently, a person must be fully vaccinated to enter the Philippines. We hope this requirement will be removed for next year's conference.

## **Refreshed Website**

My friends at Media Lifeline have recently refreshed my website. Please stop by to look around [www.kevinfolger.com](http://www.kevinfolger.com). We have updated many things, including pictures of our family and some other things that you may find interesting. I am grateful to Cody Stenson and the team at Media Lifeline for the help they have been to me.

## **Laborers in the Harvest Podcast**

During the pandemic, I started producing a weekly podcast entitled "Laborers in the Harvest." It was recorded conversations I had with those who have labored for the Lord in His harvest field. Last October, I took a break and waited to see how the Lord would direct me. As I traveled, I met many folks who have shared with me that they have listened to these conversations and were encouraged by them. I sensed the Lord prompting me to keep doing this work. We have changed the format a bit; instead of breaking our conversations down into segments and putting them out weekly, we are now dropping one entire conversation with a guest monthly. Several new ones have been produced this year. I encourage you to listen to these conversations with laborers serving the Lord in the Harvest. The podcast can be found on all the major podcast platforms.

Thank you for your prayers and financial support. They are a continual source of encouragement. Denise and I could not do what God has given us to do without your help.

For the Lord's Great Cause,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin Folger". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.