



THE KUTINSKYS

"As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith." *Galatians 6:10*



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Dear Pastors, Church Families, and Praying Friends,

We are constantly amazed at God's goodness in what He allows us to do as we strive to serve Him! Immediately after Christmas, we flew home to visit our families, as well as our church family, for a week. We were able to hold to our New Year's Day tradition of celebrating Christmas with Angela's side of the family, as well as enjoy a couple meals with my side of the family. Our pastor invited me to report in on the work we've been doing in Ocala with Memorial Baptist Church, as well as preach Wednesday night. We were greeted with a pile of post cards from the church—the same cards we send our missions partners—which was a great encouragement to us! We were also greeted with a water leak in the kitchen of our home in Ohio that caused damage to the kitchen and the basement below. We were able to mitigate the problem for now, but insurance won't be covering it, so we will begin those repairs when we return home later this year. Please pray the damage is not more than we observed while there, as it involved drywall, flooring, cabinets, as well as ceiling and furniture in the basement!

A week after we got back to Florida, our pastor and his wife, who have family nearby, came down. We were able to spend quality time fellowshiping with them, and they were able to visit the church here. One of the men in the church took Pastor Lovett and I fishing, and later hosted a fish fry to enjoy the harvest! Pastor and Mrs. Lovett are dear friends, and have been great mentors for us, and their visit was a blessing and an encouragement. Pastors, please take time to visit your missionaries (and missions partners) on their field, and when you do, please take your wife with you! Your time with that missionary will strengthen him for the work where he is, but having your wife there to minister to and spend time with the missionary's wife is a great need many will not mention; your combined presence will bless that family more than you may ever realize!

One of the areas of ministry that I've wanted to learn but haven't really had much opportunity for is the soundboard. Providentially, Memorial Baptist has the same board as Graham Road Baptist! This month, a couple of the men took the time to instruct me on how to use the board, as well as a number of common (and some less common) troubleshooting tips! I'm thankful for those here at Memorial Baptist that are willing to take the time and invest in us!

Attendance at MBC was down in January as many folks were out with illnesses (which, I understand from talking to others in various locations in the States, has been rampant many places). This left an opportunity for Angela and I to help out in Patch Club, which Angela has helped with occasionally since we came down, but I have not. Having never worked with Patch Club before, I was excited to see the operation. What a delight to hear the children enthusiastically reciting verses and singing songs! It was a joy to work alongside the regular Patch workers and see them connect with and minister to the children! Pastor West has also been ill most of the month, and a few men and I have been able to fill the pulpit as he recovers.

Please continue to pray with (and for!) us as we labor here in Florida. Keep us in prayer as we are determining God's will for what's next, and making decisions on how and where we can best continue to serve Him! If there is something that we can join you in praying about, please let us know!

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