# **MATHIAS** MINISTR' **UPDATE** August 13, 2023



# **Upcoming Ministry Travel**

In a few days Connie and I, along with others from the home office, will be traveling to Barcelona, Spain for our European Field Conference. The conference will be at a theological institute where one of our former missionaries is the President.



The theme of the conference partnership is "Partnership in the Gospel" taken from Philippians 1. Board

members and some of our veteran missionaries will be sharing around this theme. I am excited to spend time with our European missionaries and am praying that it will be a blessing for those attending.



Following the conference, Connie and I will be traveling to Seville, Spain and spending time with TBM missionaries Frank and Salud Benoit who have been with TBM for 32 years.

Other ministry trips are on the horizon. I (Chuck) plan to travel to Tarapoto, Peru in January for training, a wedding and a video project. In May I am hoping to travel to Mbale, Uganda, for another wedding, a missionary interview, and our first ever African Conference.

### Progress on the House Project

I often get notifications on my phone from Google Photos. Many times these are pictures of the house at various stages. A few days ago I received a "Two years ago today" picture which showed our house just before our first concrete pour. As I think of all that God has done in these past few years, I am overwhelmed. We have been blessed beyond measure.

#### Prayer Requests

Our trip to Barcelona and Seville (August 19-31) Upcoming travel (Peru & Uganda) Completing the house project Ministry at Frontier Homeschooling Milestones Project





Above is the "two years ago" picture along with where we are now on our house project. There are a number of smaller projects that need to be completed. Inside we need to paint and stain the stairwell, and a few things in the downstairs bathroom and laundry room. Outside we need to finish the porch, the facia and soffit on the roof, and a lot of landscaping. Right now, we are just waiting on the Lord for time and resources to finish the last few things on the house.

## Ministry at Frontier School of the Bible

The incoming class of freshman is the largest in 10 years! Pray for our classes and connecting with the students, especially since we will miss the first two weeks due to being in Spain. I am teaching just one class this semester, Intro to Missions. Connie is teaching Christian Women's Practices to the freshman girls.

# Milestones Project



For years I have been working on developing a training program for our missionaries to use in discipling church planters on their mission fields. A few years ago, the Lord directed Nathaniel McRae and his family to join our home office staff where Nathaniel would be able to help with this project.

Throughout the development we have referred to certain aspects of the training as "milestones." A few months ago we decided to call the whole curriculum Milestones, with the understanding that this word "milestones" is a very culturally specific term, yet easily adapted to other languages and cultures.

Since January it has been encouraging to see much of our years of work come together. Nathaniel and I are making substantial progress and hope to use our trip to Tarapoto, Peru as a testing ground for our training as we partner with our Peru missionaries in training church leaders and church planters. I am also developing a computer program to assist the missionaries in adapting our materials to their unique context and students.

## Thank you

As always thank you for praying for us. I've thought recently about our European Conference Theme, I am thankful for your partnership in our ministry.

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