

# John & Marcie Good

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Fort Hood Soldiers Hospitality House



## *Our Dear Partners,*

This past month we had the privilege to observe Cadence ministry firsthand. We visited the Soldiers Hospitality House outside Fort Hood in Killeen, TX. With these pictures as a backdrop, we want to use this newsletter to explain the ministry of Cadence and communicate why we have chosen to serve the Lord through this mission organization.

Cadence was founded in 1954 by a man named Jesse Miller. During World War II, Jesse survived the Bataan Death March and was held as a prisoner of war by the Japanese. While he was in a POW camp, he prayed, "Lord, if I ever have a home of my own, I will use it to share the gospel with servicemen." Upon his release, Jesse and his wife, along with three other families, established their homes, which they called hospitality houses, near military bases in the U.S. and overseas. To this day, Cadence missionaries share the gospel and their lives through the ministry of hospitality. (To read more about the history of Cadence, you can go to [Cadence.org/History](http://Cadence.org/History)).

Our exposure to Cadence began in 1983 when we were both stationed at Kadena Air Base on Okinawa, Japan. From the look of the pictures of our recent visit to Fort Hood and our time back on Okinawa, you might conclude that each ministry adopts a similar style and is a comparable size; however, the styles and sizes of groups vary and may include both singles and families. Cadence leadership gives each missionary or missionary family the freedom to

minister according to their gifts, skills, and passions, but all missionaries minister in accordance with Cadence's statement of core beliefs and values ([Cadence.org/What-We-Believe](http://Cadence.org/What-We-Believe)).

So, why would we choose to serve the Lord as missionaries with Cadence? It is because we want to greatly impact the world for Christ. We will be assigned to a Cadence hospitality house located near a U.S. military installation. We will direct a hospitality house for servicemembers and their families who are typically assigned to a base for one to three years. We will offer them home-cooked meals, Bible studies, mentoring and discipleship, and special group activities. We look forward to sharing the gospel and God's heart for them, as well as helping them better understand the Bible. When these servicemembers leave for their next assignment, they have the chance to take the love and good news of Jesus and pass it on to others at their new location.

We hope to have even more interesting news soon, as we travel northward up the U.S. Eastern Seaboard and then later in March back to the Fort Hood Soldiers Hospitality House before turning to the West and Southwest. Please pray that those friends we meet would partner with us to impact the U.S. military for Jesus Christ.

Love from us both,  
**John and Marcie**



Kadena Air Base, 1983



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