

Dave & Bonnie LAMBERT

Dear Friends,

What a September! This is one of those times when I look back and am grateful that I did not know all that would take place during those few short weeks. It started out better than I ever could have hoped. After a year of planning, we had our whole family together for a week of vacation. With Andrew, Bekka, and the boys living in Oregon, we treasure time with them, especially when we can have all our kids and grandkids in the same place. We rented a house up in the Black Hills of South Dakota and spent five wonderful days hiking, biking, playing games, talking, eating s'mores, and playing in some of the many local lakes. The grandkids did great together and none of us were ready for the week to end.

Three days after we got home, I went into the hospital for my third heart ablation. I have struggled with A-fib for some time, and it was continuing to get worse. We decided to see if the doctor could fix it once and for all. He spent two full hours working on it, and as I write this, three weeks later, it seems to be holding up. I am looking forward to getting out and being more physically active, something that has been getting harder and harder to do.



Family vacation in Black Hills, South Dakota

A week after my ablation, I received a call from my brother Steve that my other brother Roger had just passed away from a heart attack. While Roger's health was not great, it was still a shock to receive the call. I joined my brother Steve and nephew Daniel in Phoenix, where Roger had been staying, to gather his belongings and receive his remains. Knowing Roger is gone, I have experienced a flood of emotions, all being coupled with the hope of eternity, something that grows more appealing to me every day.



Cadence Field Leaders

After returning from Phoenix, Bonnie and I attended four days of leadership meetings for Cadence Field Leaders. This was a special time of planning, praying, sharing, and encouraging each other as we sought the Lord for our respective fields and missionaries. It was so good to be with others who understood the role the Lord has for us.

As I write this, we are now in Asia, visiting each of our missionaries in Korea, mainland Japan, and Okinawa and seeing the ministries they lead. This past Friday, I had two conversations that once again impressed me with the impact these ministries can have. The first was with Max, a young man who recently placed his faith in Christ. He was invited to a Bible study led by Duncan and Suzanne, our directors here in Yokosuka. Through their love and opening the Word to him, he

realized his need for a Savior and is now a regular at all the ministry events. Then John, a high-ranking Naval officer, shared with me how he wishes Cadence would open more ministries at the other bases he oversees here in Japan. “There are so many young men and women that need what Cadence offers, a home away from home with solid Biblical teaching.” These stories encourage me to press on and pour into our team so they, in turn, can lead the ministries in which they have been entrusted. How we covet your prayers for us, for wisdom and insight into our missionaries’ worlds, for stamina and health as we travel by planes and trains and sleep in more beds than I like to think about, and for the ability to listen well and offer encouragement into the lives of those the Lord has called us to care for.

Friends, we are so very grateful for each of you. I would love to sit with you, drink a good cup of coffee together, hear how your September was, and more importantly, ask how you have seen the Lord working in your own life. Even though that might not be possible, we want to say thank you for entrusting us as your missionaries. Your partnership allows us to continue to serve and we are blessed by you. Thank you!

Because He Lives,
Dave and Bonnie



Bonnie with our Asia missionary ladies.

Because you partner with us, we wanted to let you know of our present needs. Over the past several years, our financial support has diminished significantly due to some partners graduating to heaven and others needing to stop or adjust their support for various reasons. This has left us in need of about \$2,000 per month of support. We have cut our salary and tried to be as careful as possible to offset our deficit but could use your help. Many of you have raised your support level in recent years; thank you! We are grateful. If any of you are willing to increase your giving or give a year-end gift to help bring us out of the red, we would be so very appreciative. Either way, know that we love you and count it a privilege to serve as your missionaries.

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