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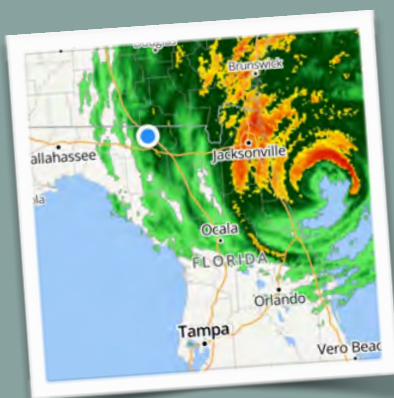
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Support Raising is “Faith-Based”

Missionaries who build their own support teams are often called “Faith-Based.” They step out without the assurance that finances will come in to support the ministry to which they are called. There have been many times over the last couple of years that people have commended our faith for embarking in this journey. We may seem special, but as believers **everything we do should be faith-based.** When you make trusting God a priority in life, your trust in Him grows.

We have seen God provide in some spectacular ways. Things have happened that are beyond coincidence. Our encounter with a lady named Trisha is a great example. **Faith places you where you are supposed to be, exactly when you need to be there.** Support raising can be daunting, but our travels are filled with meeting new people and sharing about the Gospel and the ministry. It’s exactly what we will do overseas! Trisha has been running from God, but He is not willing to let her go. God can use the simplest conversations for His glory.

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We drove right by Hurricane Matthew as it passed Florida further out to sea than everyone predicted. We’re praying for those affected, but grateful that so many were spared. We went to a missions conference at The Crossroads Church, north of Tampa, FL. Their prayers and support are a huge blessing! We had a blast sharing in the service and to the kids.

Trisha’s husband is a believer, but she has reservations about faith. In fact, her frustrations with the church led her to study with Jehovah’s Witnesses for three years. She said that God kept bringing true believers into her life. She was convinced that it was actually Satan trying to lead her away from the truth. **But God’s truth is more powerful than the great deceiver.**

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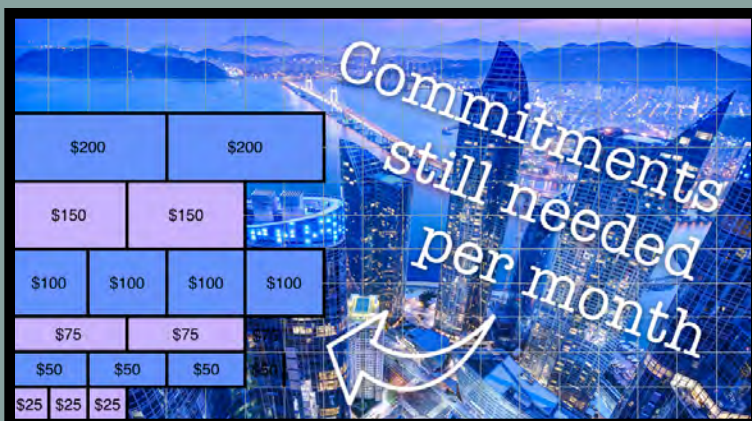


While in Mississippi, we got to give updates at our supporting church, Pleasant Grove Baptist Church and Jeremy's parents' church, First Baptist Church of Sanford. These saints are such a treasure to our hearts. They've held us up in prayer, encouragement, and support. It was also a blessing to spend some time with Jeremy's family.

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Faithful living is not more important overseas than here. It is not a location, but an attitude of your heart. It is not where you go (work, church, Korea...) because the Spirit dwells within you. Our schedule was jumbled at the last minute on our last trip and we had two nights to stay in Panama City Florida. It was like a mini-vacation, but **the Spirit is never off-duty**. On our way home from the beach, we exchanged pleasantries with a lady on a golf cart, Trisha. When we told her we were missionaries, she opened up about her struggles with church. We told her that it was not a coincidence that we met that night. We talked about the Gospel and how inescapable God's love for us can be.

As the sun set on the waves behind us, it didn't seem like the most convenient time to be a minister. The kids were tired, hungry, and sandy. But it was the perfect time for God to have a heart to heart with Trisha. We weren't very important in that process, but we were available and ready to listen. And we were quick to allow our family to be an channel for God to receive glory. **Life is "Faith-Based."** Be prepared for God to work through you, as His Spirit dwells within you.



Support Update

We have a bold prayer to be at 100% by January 2017. At the start of October we were at 60%. As of October 31, **we are at 75%**! If we see similar commitments over the next couple of months, we will definitely reach this goal. To put it in perspective, that would be 18 more people at \$81.50 each per month.

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