



the Pannell Family

Missionaries to the Upper Midwest

Dear Pastors and Praying friends,

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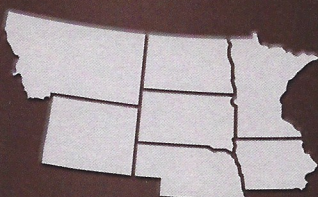
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It feels as though there is not a lot to update everyone on regarding our deputation, as we have been grounded for several months now due to the COVID-19 restrictions; but looking back over past few months I realize I do have quite a few things to share! I typically share some stories from the deputation trail, then list in details our prayer requests—it is a “prayer letter” after all. This quarter, I think I’m writing more of a “praise letter”, and I am so thankful to have so many praises to share.

First, we have had several churches contact us during this time to say they have taken us on for support! Praise the Lord! We are now sitting at 23% or so of our needed support. The Lord has been so good to us through this difficult time and has provided so much through additional love offerings. I have been able to attend a few meetings recently, which is a blessing after several months of staying home.

Next, I want to announce the birth of our fifth child, Phineas Lawson Pannell! He was born a few weeks early, and came into the world with some excitement. After a completely healthy pregnancy, Kim suddenly developed preeclampsia and several complications that go along with that and had to have an emergency c-section at 37 weeks. The Lord truly had His hand on us and gave a healthy baby boy and a healthy mama! The recovery time will be difficult and change some of our plans so please be in prayer regarding that situation.

Although several months of downtime is not particularly productive for raising support, it has allowed me time to make some renovations to our camper that were much needed! We were gifted an RV washer/dryer combination machine (\$1300 value), which saves us hundreds of dollars a month by not using a laundromat. It also allows us to use cloth diapers, saving us another couple of thousand dollars over the course of the next few years. I was able to install a small pantry, build additional closet space for our children, and purchase new chairs to replace the old worn out couch. We have always loved our camper, but the Lord has worked in so many ways to allow us to upgrade during this time!

Finally, the Lord has helped us resolve a major issue with our towing vehicle. The front end of our truck started making terrible noises that sounded like a very expensive problem. The dealership quoted us around \$1500 to do the repairs. I was able to purchase the parts and complete the work myself and we were able to spend less than \$500! Now the truck is running great is ready to hit the road again as soon we can schedule more meetings. We are still in search of a larger van to accommodate our larger family, and we are praying to find one that has the capacity to tow our camper as well. We would be able to travel with only one vehicle, which makes a huge difference in the ease of traveling with our whole family.

Please pray as I get back to calling and trying to schedule meetings. It is still a sensitive time for pastors and I want to be respectful of that. About half of remainder of the year is open for us now due to cancellations or rescheduling. We want to get to Sioux Falls as quickly as possible and this setback has slowed us down more than we anticipated. Lord willing, we will be able to make up for lost time and get to the field as soon as possible!

Your Missionaries,
Scott and Kim Pannell