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# THE SHUMAKERS MISSIONARY CHURCH PLANTERS/HELPS

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Dear Supporting Churches,

I am so sorry for the lateness of this letter...time has truly gotten by me.

As I sit here and wonder where this year has gone...I can't help but reflect on all that has transpired. On top of the pandemic we have had our song leaders health to severely go down, buried two great ladies (Ms. Polly Crum and Ms. Carol Wilson) and saw the faithfulness of many be challenged through the covid excuse sentiment. Many of our meetings were altered or canceled because of exposures and quarantines and several ministries of the church were ceased and continue to be to this time.

Living in this world with the many challenges of our time can be very difficult. Through this pandemic, we see the true heart and focus that people in the "bible belt" give to our Lord and Savior. When churches are canceled but parades and festivals continue on (for social sanity they say?). One can't help but wonder, how long until Christ's return.

I am glad that I am still on the winning side....and I know and am assured that He will come again and it won't be long. I would encourage you in the Lord to keep your eyes upon Jesus. Stay in the book, stay on your knees and stay in the fight. It's time to pray more, preach more and proclaim more (door to door) than ever before.

This past month we have had three new families starting to visit and one man who was gloriously born again. Please pray that God would continue to do His great work.

We pray that your ministries excel in this hopeful New Year!  
In His Service,

Mark, Windy, Abigail and Blake Shumaker

P.S. We are expecting our first grandchild in April! Amen!