



# The Ballews Missionaries to Idaho

January and February Prayer Letter

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**Going to the other  
side of our country  
for Christ**

*Matthew 14:22  
And straightway  
Jesus constrained his  
disciples to get into a  
ship, and to go  
before him unto the  
other side while he  
sent the multitudes  
away.*

Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

*Romans 1:14, I am debtor both to the Greeks, and to the Barbarians; both to the wise, and to the unwise.*

**I AM DEBTOR!** It seems that I cannot get away from this verse in recent days. I have my heart drawn repeatedly to it in multiple services over the past months. I have preached it over and over, but I cannot escape it. In fact, I do not want to escape it. I want to learn to live it! I want it to be the theme of my ministry, of my life, of my family's life! One thing I tend to deal with in preaching it is that we are a debtor to our Saviour. The last thing He said to us as He prepared to ascend to Heaven was *Acts 1:8, But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.* This was our Lord's last "request" if you will, before leaving earth. We OWE it to Him to reach our loved ones, our coworkers, our community, our state, our country, and our world for Him!!!!

• **MINISTRY**

December and January saw us traveling a lot. We were in Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, and Virginia. The Lord saw us safely through many miles, including several hundred miles in the snow. In January we were unexpectedly in Georgia after my shoulder surgery being postponed. The Lord blessed, and we were able to fill the calendar on short notice and saw some new support come in as well.

I know it is still several months away, but please begin to help us pray as we are planning to be in Idaho during the month of June. We have a meeting in northern Utah in May, then we want to spend June seeing the northern part of Idaho and revisiting some of southern Idaho. As I think of the verses I shared above, I can't help but think of the town God has for us to start in. We do not yet know where that town is, but He does. In Idaho there are many towns that need a preacher, and God has called us to go to one of those towns. Idaho is over 83,000 square miles, 1.83 million people and only has 15 – 20 Bible preaching Baptist Churches. Here in America people are living and dying at an old age, without ever having heard a clear presentation of the Gospel! Please help us pray for safety, wisdom, and direction as we return to the state God has called us to find the town He would have us to start in.

• **FAMILY**

- Caleb's shoulder surgery was done on 02/02/22, and he is healing well.
- We were rear ended, and our Suburban was totaled on 01/22/22. We thank the Lord no one was seriously injured, just a little stiff, and we have a replacement vehicle already.

• **HELP US PRAY**

- Continued safety as we travel
- Quick healing from surgery for Caleb

Thankful To Be His Servants,  
The Ballew Family  
Caleb, Tracy, Alex, Isaiah, Elijah, and Mattie  
Going to the other side of our country for Christ  
Matthew 14:22

