## MISSIONARIES TO ALLEN, TEXAS

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Greetings in the lovely name of Jesus! In the book of Judges Chapter 8, we find these 3 words at the end of verse 8 "FAINT, YET PURSUING". While reflecting over the past couple of months in our lives and ministry, I believe these words provide an adequate description of our hearts. God has blessed our church with a constant flow of visitors, and 3 of those have faithfully attended every service since the first Sunday in July. The church has been averaging between 15-20 on Sundays. The work of reaching such a massive population of people with the gospel is tiring, yet very much worth the efforts. Please pray as we will be celebrating our 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary in November, with a special revival meeting!

We had the wonderful privilege to return to our home church in Cleveland, NC last week for the 47<sup>th</sup> annual Homecoming Jubilee. We enjoyed all of the sweet fellowship and the tremendous preaching in those few days. It was a blessing just to attend, but I was also blessed by the opportunity to be one of the preachers Sunday. This meeting has always been a great encouragement to our family every year, and we are already looking forward to next year, should our Lord tarry his coming.

As many of you are already aware, we took our daughter Hannah to the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN in mid-August. Thankfully, after countless doctors & hospitals visits & tests, we finally got the right diagnosis for Hannah. She has MALS, which in short is a very rare condition that causes the celiac artery to be compressed. After all of this, we were able to see a Cardiovascular Surgeon in OKC 2 weeks ago. Hannah's condition is very serious and it requires surgery. She will be cut open from the sternum to naval. There are lots of details in regards to all of this, but in short PLEASE pray that they can get this done in the next week or 2. There are a lot of physical, financial, and emotional needs surrounding this urgent situation; and we desperately need your help in praying for God to do it ALL!

Although, we are FAINT in our bodies and in our minds, we are YET PURSUING all of these things for the GLORY OF GOD!! In light of everything, II Cor. 4:16 comes to mind often. We would not be able to do anything we are doing without God's grace and your prayers. May the Lord richly bless and keep each of you, as you continue in pursuit of His will and glory for your lives and our ministry. May God grant fruit for our labors together in the pursuit of reaching the lost with the Gospel of Jesus! Thank you and we love y'all!

In Christ, The Leake Family Mt. 9:38