





SABINA EMILY MUSCOTT The first half of January was a usual one in the port ministry. Passing out tracts, distributing Bibles, preaching, witnessing, helping the best we can both physically and spiritually. The last half of the month of January was spent in nervous anticipation of the birth of our baby girl. The fast approaching due date caused me to pick back up on a project I have not made time to work on in a while.... The online correspondence school! We recorded and produced many hours of classes, quizzes, and tests to help interested seafarers learn the Bible. Her due date came and went... and still no baby. Now we are getting nervous because I was scheduled to leave for Bangladesh early February. Finally, we were scheduled for induction on February 6th, one week after her due date. With very little help, Haylee went into what turned out to be a painful, but speedy delivery! If you've had children you understand the flood of emotion when your first child comes into the world! At 4:33 in the afternoon, happy, healthy Sabna Emily Muscott was born. 7lbs. 2oz. 20" long. Hallelujah! I am afraid to say that she is already much like her daddy... but we love her anyway! Haylee had a few health complications that caused us to remain in the hospital a few extra days, but she is doing much better now. I am amazed how Haylee was able to accomplish so much even right up to the delivery day! I married UP, that's for sure and I love my wife dearly! Little Sabina brings so much joy into our lives and we are truly grateful.

STOLEN!!! On Thursday, February 9th we brought our little "Bina" home from the hospital and next we had to decide whether or not to forfeit my trip to Bangladesh. We trusted the Lord was still clearly directing me to go and planned accordingly. Haylee's mom flew up on Saturday night to stay with her and Sabina while I was gone. I was scheduled to fly to Florida early Sunday morning to attend at Victory Baptist Church in Milton, then fly out with Pastor Fellure and three others on Monday. Saturday night, my phone completely died. Then, Sunday morning at 3:50, I started the van, put my luggage in the back, walked inside to kiss my wife and baby goodbye, and then walked out the front door and MY VAN WAS GONE!!! Someone jumped in it and drove away at 3:55 in the morning! The police were called, and I missed my flight. Praise God, I still had my carry on bag with my passport and important items. Even still, Haylee and I knew that God still wanted me to go. I spent my day between church services buying a new phone and replacing all the clothes and items I needed for the trip before catching a flight to Pensacola on Monday.

BANGLADESH Country in southeast Asia the size of the state of Georgia. Georgia has 10 million people while Bangladesh is home to over 171 MILLION people! Bangladesh is 91% MUSLIM... as far as I know, there are ZERO American Baptist Missionaries living in the country, and ONE that travels there a few times a year. The need is so great! After 26 hours of flight time, we finally landed on Bangladeshi soil. Thousands of people, heavy traffic, hundreds of unpainted apartment buildings as far as the eye can see through the foggy haze only broken by the occasional mosque tower that sounds out the Muslim call to prayer 5 times a day. 9 hour drive to the southern part. The wild driving here is literally a near miss and close call every other second! Every day was spent on the many rivers of Khulna in the Mangrove Jungle visiting small village churches. Each church escorted us with a Bengali band and parade from the riverbank all the way to the church tent they prepared for our meeting. Upon arrival, they showered us with beautiful flowers, adorned us with vibrant handmade neck ornaments, and gifted us with beautiful bouquets. We each gave a word of encouragement from the Bible as the national Pastor interpreted. On Sunday, eight of the 17 river churches came to the Mission Station for the service and dedication of the Bible School that will begin this year. A Bengali pastor gave the last charge to the students. He got saved as a youth in a church started in the 1820's by a close friend of William Carey and has been preaching for over 70 years!!! Please pray for the believers in Bangladesh!





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