

Transitions and time zones.

That seems to be what we have been dealing with the past few weeks. It has been a bit longer than we planned between prayer letters but to say life has been chaotic over the past couple months would be an understatement.

June and July were months packed full, literally. We were packing our belongings into suitcases and storage areas as we prepared to make the trek back to the US for furlough. In the middle of packing our house was robbed. Thankfully we were not home and no one was injured. We did however lose our computer which has most all of our information on it (hence the simple look of our prayer letter). In this we were once again reminded this life is temporal. The things that last forever are not the physical, therefore I shed no tears over a computer that probably needed to be replaced anyway.

July was a time of transitions as we handed over our responsibilities to different people in the church and prepared for a different form of ministry in the States. Though stepping back from an area of ministry is never easy, watching our approaching furlough motivate Malagasy believers to step up and take part in the ministry was a blessing and encouragement to us. On the 26th of July we made it back onto US soil. Speaking English and seeing friends and family has already been a blessing to us. On August 3rd, I was able to speak at our home church in Winston-Salem NC. Reconnecting with North Point Baptist and seeing how God was working in the lives of believers there was encouraging to both of us.

The past few weeks we have spent prepping for the next few months as we travel around the U.S. sharing what God has been doing in Madagascar. We hit the road on Thursday and will be everywhere from Quebec, Canada to Lakeland, FL in the next three months. We appreciate your continued prayers as we travel the exceptionally smooth roads of North America.

We look forward to connecting with as many of you as possible in these eight months we will be in the States before returning to our other home of Madagascar.

Trusting Always in Him

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