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Dear Friends in Christ:

We are grateful to be back in communication with you in this New Year. Most of our activities are not new but the same routine that we have followed for most of our adult life: preaching, teaching, encouraging and sharing life with churches and Bible college students. Thank you for making it all possible.

Bonnie and I met Ms. Goldie Smith in 1972 when we first started on deputation. This good woman has now moved on into glory but she loved, prayed and supported us financially for over forty years. We have eaten at her table in more than one house, spent the night in her home in Boaz, Alabama where she introduced us to new churches for potential support. We are thankful for this kind of relationship with churches and people but our hearts seem to have a hole and we surely miss Ms. Goldie.

Remember the Syrian pastor that I was trying to help last year. Well, the official name is registered as the First Arabic Baptist Church. That is the name and also a first for Jacksonville, Florida. Please understand that I am not looking for glory or claiming to have started an Arabic speaking church. We simply had a small part, like being a friend with encouragement and helping make the necessary connections to get started. We are thankful to have visited last Sunday night and the attendance was about twenty-five people.

The theme of this letter seems to be gratitude, encouragement and support, and we feel like we receive more than we give, and we're grateful that you allow us to

continue the ministry that God called us to do.

In Christ,

Ed Gibson