

UPDATE: Report from the Thompson's (October – February) March 2, 2022

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Dear Co-laborers,

We are sorry it has been so long since you have heard from us! So much has happened, and we want to catch you up on our ministry and activities over the past 5 months. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR FAITHFUL PRAYER AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT, without which it would have been impossible to continue in our labors for the Lord.

SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER

We made the decision to sell Elim House, and began the demanding process of moving some things to LaGrange, so that we could 'stage' Elim House for showing. You must have prayed hard for us, because the house sold in 48 hours, with multiple offers. God was so good to us!

After the sale of the house, we had 30 days to do two things. First we celebrated our 50th Wedding Anniversary at the end of October by having an Open House at Elim House. 70 guests dropped by for a visit that day, and many more sent greetings via email or cards. It was such a special time to celebrate God's goodness to us these past 50 years!

After the celebrating came the hard work of moving! Both of our girls, Kara and Lora, came to help, as did people from Frontier School of the Bible, Tentmakers Bible Mission, and North Valley Bible Church, where we served and attended. It was 4 days of hard work! We are so thankful for those who helped (rescued) us!

Our belongings were delivered to the home we purchased in LaGrange, where they were stored in the 3 stall garage for a month.

It was also during October that I (Ron) directed the Annual Missions Conference at Frontier, with 12 Organizations and 14 missionary participants. The theme was: Burning Daylight-Redeeming the Time, while there is still Time.

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

Wanda continued to work in the TBM Office 2 days a week as we began the transition to our new (to us) home. It is a 3 bedroom, two bath ranch style home. Much smaller than Elim House. We are still getting settled, but are making progress! I completed the semester of teaching at FSB. I taught Judges, Colossians, Cults and World Religions, as well as assisting in Pastoral Theology classes.

At the end of the semester we flew to Michigan for a visit to the family (Ron's family) farm, with the opportunity to help out my Mom and sister Tammy, who had hip surgery. On our return to Wyoming, we also made a quick trip to Utah to visit our grand daughter, as well as North Valley Bible Church, where we attended and served.

JANUARY AND FEBRUARY

We enjoyed a wonderful start to the new semester at Frontier. I am teaching Church Planting, the Gospel of Luke, and assisting again in Pastoral Theology. Wanda continued her schedule at TBM. I also help out at TBM when time permits.

The month of February proved to be a season of challenge, with Wanda contracting Covid. It hit her pretty hard, with fever and other symptoms. After two weeks, she was hospitalized with blood related issues, for 4 days. Things are improving now, for which we give thanks! Please continue to keep her in prayer. During that same time, I had two weeks of bronchitis, though I was able to continue teaching my classes.

Thank you for standing with us in prayer, even though you may not have known everything that was going on at the time. Prayer is a wonderful tool of ministry, whether it is being given or received!

We are including in this Update Letter a couple of pictures. One picture will give you an idea of where we currently live in LaGrange, and the other is a picture of Wanda and me, along with our two girls, Kara and Lora.

You will note in that picture, which was taken on the next to last day of packing at Elim House, that Kara and Lora have wonderful smiles, while Wanda and I have VERY TIRED SMILES! That is what happens in your 70's!

Again, we want to say thank you so much to those who serve with us in prayer and financial support. Many churches and individuals blessed us with Christmas cards and gifts as well. We were overwhelmed by such a wonderful outpouring of love and encouragement. Thank you!

May God richly bless each of you where you live and serve. Perhaps this is the year when the Lord will come and catch all of us to be with Him forever! 'Even so, come Lord Jesus'!

Fellow servants,

Ron and Wanda Thompson

