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Dear Brethren and all the Churches,

The Lord is good and full of mercy! We have been busy, but not too busy to write this prayer letter. My son in CA. has won three or four young boys to the Lord, my daughter in Mexico and her husband have seen a number of souls saved, and another daughter in NC has in the last weeks seen at least six souls saved, and two other daughter and two other sons, faithful. I have been in meetings this past two months where there have been at least four souls saved. This is our ministry our family extended into their own fields and serving the Lord. I think it pays to rear your family right. Our children are getting more done for the Lord than Bonnie and I could have ever hoped to accomplish, all because we started out 32 years ago to raise them for the Lord. God first, Family second, Ministry third; If you get the order wrong you will not pastor right, missionary right, evangelize right or do any thing right. I continually see pastors, evangelist, and missionaries that put the ministry first and ultimately see their family choose not to server the Lord in later years. The sad truth is that most of God's servants do not see this err in their own lives. I am constantly asked in meetings about the struggles of rearing a family and the balance that is necessary to keep from losing sons and daughters. It is true that even after a proper balance is accomplished and all has been set in proper order, the child still could go astray, the will of man and the influence of the devil is still at work in our service for the Lord. But I would rather rear them right and know that I have done everything in my power, then to stand before God some day and give an account for my misconceived responsibilities. When men stand to speak so boldly and their children are living in open sin, the ears of them that hear are dual of hearing; actions always speak louder than words. As we travel and preach I am humbled that I have the opportunity to stand before God's people and minister. We always want to be a help in any area of the ministry we fine ourselves. We are now filling dates for August, September, October, and November. There is one meeting penciled in for December the first week. We will be in OH, MI, and then MS, FL, and LA. We are trying to schedule northern states in the summer and southern states in the winter. It is more conducive to Motor home traveling. We are both well and remain your servant's for Christ sake.

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