



Stephen, Erika, & Benji

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Dear Family and Friends,

As we adjust to life with an infant, ministry and work march on! Movie season at the park is back in full swing now. I'm booked to travel with dad and a church brother to Dominican Republic at the end of the month. Eri went back to work, and my mom is keeping Benji. Our financial support has been increasing, and one of our cars broke down on us.

Movie nights are going strong as we have gotten the hang of things again after shaking the dust off from the winter season. We've had a few difficulties, but God is so faithful to see us through. One night, due to an electrical issue, both of our popcorn machines gave out on us. Thankfully, we ordered two more trusting the Lord to provide the funds; and within a few hours of my mom (AnnaMae) posting our need on Facebook, we had two separate contacts call and take care of both machines. Amazing! David and Dana Morrison are leading movie nights and have been able to find church "sponsors" for almost every movie night so far.



This past movie night, we were reflecting with some church volunteers on how much our park movie nights have grown! Glory to God for the work he is doing in Prattville!

April 30th, Dad, our friend Brock Miller, and I will be going to Dominican Republic(DR) for five days on an exploratory trip to meet with our Drive-In partner from Haiti who is ministering in Puerto Plata, DR. He's working mostly with Haitian migrants there. Pray for safety for us while there and for discernment as we evaluate the potential for a new partnership.

Eri, Benji, and I have had several face to face appointments with prospective financial partners in the past two months, and we are encouraged to share that we have seen an increase in our overall financial support. We still have a long way to go to reach our fully-supported mark, but we are excited to continue on this journey as we watch God provide for us as we seek to grow His kingdom!

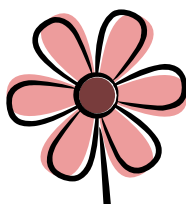
Seeing Eri's sadness as she returned back to work was hard for me since it was the first time she would be away from our sweet Benji. We are inexpressibly thankful to my mom for offering to keep him while Eri finishes out the school year. Especially because he is so young, we didn't want to put him in daycare and mom enjoys taking care of him! I also enjoy getting to pop in and see him!

A few months ago, I had the opportunity to help out a former coworker of mine and buy her broken down Ford Escape. I took a lot of time to go through and rebuild the engine. A month or two later, it wouldn't start one day. Come to find out, the early EcoBoost engines in those Fords had a serious design flaw for which there isn't really a fix. After much research and considering the options, we haven't come up with a viable option to fix it. We could put another engine in from Ford which costs more than the car is worth, but it would still have the same problem down the road. For now, the car is parked, and unless Ford comes up with a fix or a recall, we are simply out about \$3,000. More than anything else, this is discouraging for us. Thankfully, we don't do consumer debt, so we didn't owe on the car, but now we are faced with the task of replacing it. In the meantime, my parents allowed us to borrow an extra car which we are thankful for because we don't have to scramble to buy a car. We appreciate your prayers as we look and watch for the right vehicle to come up for sale or potentially another way God chooses to provide.

As always, thank you for your prayers and support!

In Christ,

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