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### **Going to the other side of our country for Christ**

*Matthew 14:22  
And straightway  
Jesus constrained his  
disciples to get into a  
ship, and to go  
before him unto the  
other side while he  
sent the multitudes  
away.*



## **JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2025 Prayer Letter**

Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

In the past 2 months we have traveled over 5,200 miles. We have been in meetings in Georgia, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Virginia. We are now at 90% of our needed support, and we are on track to move in May.

### • **LIGHTHOUSE NEWS**

God has given us peace to name the church Lighthouse Baptist Church. We have secured a place for the church to meet and set a start date! On January 28<sup>th</sup>, exactly four years to the day from the when God called us into missions, I was able to confirm with the Best Western Plus Ponderay Mountain Lodge that we will be able to rent their conference room on a weekly basis to begin holding services. Those services will begin on July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025!

### • **FAMILY/MINISTRY**

It is a busy time as we prepare for the move. We have seen about \$3,000 come in to help with the move and we are praying to see the other \$7,000 come in before we leave in May.

We have also been able to confirm the dates for the move. The moving truck will be in Virginia on Friday May 2<sup>nd</sup>. That will allow us May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> to pack the truck. On Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup> we will have a "send off service" at our home church and on May 5<sup>th</sup> we will begin our journey west as we officially move to Idaho!!!!

We are so thankful to everyone who has partnered with us by supporting us both prayerfully and financially during deputation, and for that continued support as we end deputation because we are not done yet! In fact, we are just getting started! Just around the corner is the **finish line of deputation**, but it is the **STARTING LINE of a church plant!** We are excited to see what God does with us and through us as we plant the Lighthouse Baptist Church!

### • **HELP US PRAY FOR:**

- CONTINUED INCREASE IN OUR SUPPORT
- MOVING EXPENSES (fuel, camp sites as we drive across the country, deposits for a house and utilities, vehicle registration) **THIS WILL BE AROUND \$10,000**
- SAFETY AS WE TRAVEL

Thankful To Be His Servants,  
**The Ballew Family**

Caleb, Tracy, Alex, Isaiah, Elijah, and Mattie  
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