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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.



# SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER PRAYER LETTER

**Missionaries to Idaho** 

**The Ballews** 

Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

**Psalm 115:18** But we will bless the LORD from this time forth and for evermore. Praise the LORD.

The Lord has truly been with us and given us reason to praise Him over the last 2 months. Many things have happened that could be considered trials and problems, but we have watched God meet the need time and time again! As I look back on not just September and October but the entire summer and even the whole time that we have been on deputation there are too many stories to tell of God proving Himself time after time. It has been well said that if He saved us and never done anything else that we would owe Him more than we could ever repay, and while this is true, I am thankful that not only does He save "whosoever will" but that He then blesses and provides for them as well! With that in mind, what else can we do but <u>bless the Lord</u>?

# • MINISTRY

We have driven over 4,500 miles with meetings in Wyoming, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, and New Mexico. The Lord has continued to bless with more new promised support. We are currently at about 60% of our support and we pray that God will allow us to see the remaining 40% come in very quickly!

### • FAMILY

Family is one of those places it has gotten really crazy for us over these last two months, particularly at the end of October. As we were leaving Nevada, I began to feel sick. We had just ate, so my first thought was food poisoning. About 9:00pm we arrived at a campground in Seligman, AZ and settled in for the night. By 10:30 I told Tracy to "call me an ambulance." After a 1 ½ hour ambulance ride to the nearest hospital in Flagstaff, AZ, and an MRI it was confirmed that I need to have my appendix removed. Thankfully, God allowed us to find out what it was before it ruptured! The appendectomy was done early in the morning on Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> and I presented the ministry in Santa Fe, NM and Rio Rancho, NM on Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> and preached in Rio Rancho on Wednesday November 1<sup>st</sup>. I praise the Lord for His physical touch during that time!

### HELP US PRAY

- For new support and to get the field quickly
- For the people of Ponderay and the surrounding area
- The school year will go smooth

Thankful To Be His Servants,

The Ballew Family Caleb, Tracy, Alex, Isaiah, Elijah, and Mattie

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