



# Ministry Updates

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## Tested Faith

One great joy of being the parents of grown children is hearing them testify to God's faithfulness. We lived that delight on Friday afternoon, the day that our immediate family celebrated Thanksgiving in Cookeville. In the context of encouraging their younger brother during his job transition, our two older children reminded Corbin of their own faith-testing experiences early in their careers. Each shared along the common theme that we must learn the difference between contrived, man-made solutions, and trusting Jesus' voice to lead us into obedience, even when what He asks seems a little strange. A second gold nugget of advice was that we each must learn to know the Lord's voice for ourselves. Although advice from friends and family is valuable, second-hand leadership is not our inheritance in Christ. He speaks directly to His children when we have ears to hear and obey. We pray with trust that our grand-daughter also will eventually pick up on hearing Jesus' voice over time while she is surrounded by influences and witnesses family provides and potentiates.



*Chelsea assists Grandma mail Christmas Greeting Cards*

## Timely Friends

Last Sunday, Debbie attended church in Cookeville to participate in an unusually-planned physical therapy appointment on Sunday afternoon. Hours away, Verlin spoke in a partnering church in North Carolina. He then traveled to greet other ministry partners in Elizabethton, Tennessee, while worshiping with them during a Sunday evening service. Much to his chagrin, Old Red's fuel pump (*our '95 Caravan*) gave out after 221,956 miles of faithful service five miles from the church. Imagine that! ☺ We express our gratitude to the pastor and people of Valley Forge for swooping in to help. They provided a hotel for two nights, arranged the van to be towed to a known mechanic, and even paid for the repair! Our Father's constant and extravagant provision through His children amazes if we choose to perceive it.

## Prayer & Praise

- 🙏 Pray that all our children will continue to experience the incomparable joy of hearing the voice of Jesus directly and quickly obeying. Continue to pray for Corbin to discover the job the Lord has prepared for him.
- 🙏 Thank the Lord with us for timely friends. Each of us is continuously blessed by the Body of Christ dispersed throughout the world. Our Father puts us in just the right place to help one another in time of need.
- 🙏 Ask for safe travels and encouraging meetings as we travel to Utah and Idaho for interaction with ministry partners.

Your partners in the Gospel,  
Verlin & Debbie

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