

THE KITCHEN FAMILY

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Dear fellow laborers in Christ,

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As I was thinking about what Isaiah saw in Chapter 6, the Holy Spirit reminded me of Isaiah 6:3 "And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory." What a moment of magnificence and exposure Isaiah experienced! He saw God in His holiness, repented of his uncleanness, was purged from his sin, and surrendered to the voice of God! When we see God in His holy nature we can longer be as we once were but to be holy as He is holy!

The last few months have been quite busy on a ministry level and a personal level. It is the time of year where military families are typically moving from duty station to duty station. We said "Farewell!" to several good families this summer. No matter how much we try to prepare for it, the departure of people that you have invested in and love is always difficult. We are thankful to hear back from them and that they are plugged in wherever it is that they have moved to. On the other hand, we have seen visitors coming to our church steadily for several weeks. In the month of July, we were privileged to join four families into the family of Grace Baptist Church. These families are ones who are well grounded and have been disciplined prior to coming to GBC. This is exciting because they each have a heart to serve and train to fill in ministry needs that will be coming up very soon. God is always faithful to bring in who He desires at just the right time to build His church.

I am particularly excited about our discipleship class during the summer. The summer is typically a time where many go to travel on vacation. This year there has been a slight shift in that thinking for whatever reason. Because of this our discipleship class has stayed intact and going well with many faithful attendees. This class has changed our church and helped each grow in many different ways. I am looking forward to seeing what fruit will be produced as a result of this discipleship.

Our family is doing well and getting acclimated to the transitions of life that we are currently experiencing. Daci and I celebrated 19 years of marriage on Aug. 5th. It is hard to believe that it has been that long! I am thankful that God gave me a help meet and that we can serve the Lord together as TEAM KITCH. Ethan, by this time, has started college and is quickly learning how to make adult decisions. We are very proud of him and look forward to seeing what God does during his time at HBBC. Amelia is doing well but misses her brother. Please pray for her as she deals with not having him home all the time. Changes in life and ministry are inevitable but God graciously leads us through them.

Thank you for your love, prayers, and financial support for our family. You are very special to our family and the family of Grace Baptist Church. We love you!

For His Glory,

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