Wilkerson Family To Mozambique

Dear Pastors and Partners in Ministry,

January, 2024 Prayer Letter

Our family trusts you had a wonderful Christmas season as we joyfully celebrated the birth of our Savior. This Christmas time was special as we shared the gospel with the lost and enjoyed sweet fellowship with our family in Knoxville, Tn. My family and I are thankful for a new year to serve the Lord together and pray that God continues to richly bless your lives in 2024. We are expecting great things from our God this year as His return is soon approaching. May we be found faithful!

<u>Information on Alainey's Surgery</u>

Last month we informed you about a surgery that Alainey would have this month. Thankfully the doctor called and was able to do the G-tube operation earlier than expected. Alainey had the surgery on December 29th. What was supposed to be a 3 day recovery has turned into an extended time. In fact, as we sit to write this letter we are still in the hospital in Atlanta, GA with an "anticipated" discharge of January 13th. It is a long story however, there were some mistakes made during the initial G-tube surgery that has caused 2 extra surgeries to be made. We are waiting for answers and praying for God to continue to heal Alainey. She is a very strong little girl and we know the Lord will continue to take care of her. Thank you so much to the many who have reached out and let us know you are praying with us. We are blessed beyond measure and constantly thank the Lord for you!

Preparations for Africa

We rejoice that our missionary visa acceptance letter has arrived from Mozambique! We will send off documents to the consulate in Washington D.C. and have visas in hand shortly, Lord willing. As soon as we get out of the hospital and educated on our new feeding system for Alainey, we anticipate leaving for South Africa. Through much prayer and counsel, we believe that this season in South Africa will serve as a launching pad into Mozambique. Alainey will have very good doctors to consult with during this critical few months of her development. With our sights still set on Mozambique, we will continue Portuguese language school & sign language studies while getting plugged into various ministries. Our regional director Mark Coffey and a team of missionaries have much work to do with church plants in the city of Port Elizabeth. The harvest is truly plenteous and many in Southern Africa sit in darkness. We are excited about this door the Lord has opened and even though we know it is for a short season before our entry into

Mozambique, we are praying that the Lord will use us to see souls come to Christ. Lord willing, we will have visas for both South Africa and Mozambique in a short time, which will allow travel between the two countries very easy during this preparation season. We are thrilled about what the Lord is doing! Philippians 3:14, "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Chris Jesus"

Your Missionaries, The Wilkersons



PRAYERS



- Grace as we move forward in ministry & Portuguese language ability.
- Pray for the Lord to continue opening doors for gospel evangelism every day.
- Alainey's recovery
- Wisdom as we make preparations to move to Africa.

PRAISES



- We praise the Lord for the needed paperwork arriving.
- We praise the Lord for grace through trials.
- We thank God for our praying and faithful friends!



