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Dear Friends and Fellow Laborers,

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Although we do not have many ministry updates to share at this point, it does not mean that we have not seen God at work in the life of our family. God has been helping us lay the foundation of what we pray is a long time of service in Indonesia. I want to keep you all updated with what has been happening in our lives so that you can see how God has been answering not only our prayers, but the faithful prayers of everyone who has been praying for us. Here is the quick look at what God has done in our lives this over the last month.



We have a new addition to the family! Inara Nadia Looney was born on the May 4th, 2023 weighing 5.78 lbs and is just over 18 3/4 inches. Both Gina and Inara are doing well. Please be in prayer for Gina as she recovers from the c-section and for Inara as we work with a pediatrician to make sure her blood sugar is staying regulated (a minor complication from her birth that should be straightened out quickly). Please also pray as we navigate the paperwork behind getting her a birth certificate and a passport.

This past month millions of Muslims spent their days fasting in an attempt to return to a better status in the eyes of Allah. At the end of this month many journeyed to the homes of family and friends to ask for forgiveness of the sins they committed this past year and to enjoy a time of celebrating their return to holiness. For our family, it was a month of seeing so many people that are so blind to the truth. They are doing all they can in hopes that Allah will see them and have mercy on them, and then they will die still wondering what Allah's final decision is for their soul. It is hard to see all of this and have the desire to tell them about the Truth found in Christ but have no way of sharing this news, but that will not be the case for much longer! I am very excited to finally begin language school this month! I received my acceptance letter from the University of Indonesia (UI) the last week of April, and Orientation is May 17th. Because the semester starts so close to when Inara was born, Gina will not be attending this semester. She will be going next semester, and she has a few ideas on getting a head start on learning some more of the language before then.

Finally, paperwork associated with maintaining our visas and remaining in proper standing with the Indonesian government is a continual process. We had some issues this month with getting our address updated, and although this may seem minor, in the eyes of the government of Indonesia, it is very important that our address be accurate. The Lord answered many of our prayers this month concerning these paperwork issues.

Thank you for your continued prayers for our family. We truly believe that these last two (almost three) months have been going so smoothly thanks to the faithful prayers of friends and family.

