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Dear Friend in Christ.

I pray this letter finds you doing well! We will soon bring to close the fourth quarter of our ministry in 2023. The past nine months have been a time of growing and stretching for us! God has continued to bless in many ways! Since we began in April, we have been in over 36 different churches in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Louisiana, Florida, Missouri and Surrey, BC without any accidents or incidents! In November, I was able to teach a Pastor's Workshop called "A Fence at the Top of the Cliff!" I presented to pastors' steps that we can take to help turn back the attrition of pastors in the ministry. God blessed in a wonderful way! To the glory of God, since we began in April 2023, we have also seen several saved and three called into fulltime ministry.

The Lord has allowed us to meet and help several men that are new pastors in the Northwest, as well as several planting new churches, both here in the Northwest and California! Having planted and pastored a new church over the last forty years has proven invaluable in coaching, mentoring, and counseling these pastors. Many of the trials and struggles that they are experiencing are not only real but can also be debilitating. God has allowed us to come alongside these men and their families, and in just nine months, I can honestly see that God is using our ministry for their good and His glory!

Please continue to pray for us as we seek God's wisdom to not only encourage and help these good men and their wives who have dedicated themselves and their families to plant and pastor new churches, but also to discern and know which pastors we must help now! There is such a need! Please pray for us!

What a blessing to know that you have partnered with us and Church Planting America in helping us to "make a difference" not only here, but in eternity! As promised, God has continued to supply the financial support for this ministry. We praise the Lord for the churches and individuals that have committed to partner with us both prayerfully and financially. We also have many pastors and churches that have committed to come on board soon! Rest assured we do not take your prayers, your trust, and your giving for granted! Thank you!

I have committed to stay in touch with all our supporters on a quarterly basis unless you would like a more frequent report. Please, just let me know. Of, course you may feel free to call me anytime that you have need or questions. My cell is 503-880-4173.

We are praying that God will continue to open new doors of ministry in 2024! If you would be interested in having us come and present our work in your mission's conference, to preach for you, or to assist you in staff or lay training, please let me know! We pray that you will have a blessed and Merry Christmas and a prosperous and Happy New Year! You may also rest assured of our prayers for you! We know our Lord's return is soon! Until then we will remain...

Ever your friends and co-laborers in the Northwest,

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