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Happy 2nd Birthday
to Judah!

Moving on: Leaving Michigan

Thank you for your continued prayers! We have had a busy first quarter of 2011. There is much for which to praise God!

In January we saw our God do great and mighty things as he spared Andy's life after a serious winter weather-related car accident. Our truck was totaled, but God provided the money to replace it. In February we traveled to Fort Worth, TX to purchase a new truck to use for our ministry needs. We praise God! For the truck enthusiasts out there, it is a 2007 Dodge Ram 3500.

We are anxious to put this new truck to use at the end of this month when we move on from our spot here in Rockford, MI. We have been here for nearly a year. God has used Andy to help on projects in two local churches, and he has accomplished much on his main project at the CBM home office, which is almost completed. This first building experience has been a real blessing. Andy has learned so much and we have gotten to know more about CBM and how things work at the office.

When we think about all that we have experienced here in the last year (construction projects, pregnancy bedrest, making new friends, ministry work, welcoming Asher into our family) it can be difficult for us to think about leaving! We thank God for how He has shown us His love and faithfulness this past year! We will miss the people and the life we had here!

We will leave Rockford on March 30th. From there we will travel to Sioux City, IA where we will live until early May when our next project in Sauk City, WI starts up. (Thank you to Good News Baptist Church in Sioux City for giving us a place to park!) Elizabeth's twin sister, Deborah, lives near Sioux City and we look forward to living near her. Thank you for praying for Deborah and her pregnancy. Doctors were able to stop her labor, but she has been placed on complete bedrest for the rest of her pregnancy. She is due June 2nd. We look forward to being close so we can help her with childcare and household duties. We continue to pray that God will keep her baby girl safely inside until closer to June. Thank you for praying!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JUDAH!

Praise God with us as we celebrate Judah's 2nd birthday on April 10th! We love our happy Judah boy and thank God for his life! I see a tricycle and new books in his future!

Asher is almost 4 months old, smiling lots and has such a sweet personality! He sleeps well and loves to watch his brother. We will be dedicating him and our family to the Lord this Sunday at our church here in Michigan.

Some Requests for prayer:

- Please pray for our financial support need. In a year's time we have lost nearly 6% of our support. Please pray that God would provide for the shortfall.
- We have scheduled some meetings while we are between projects. Please pray for us as we travel and for the boys (and us) as they are away from home and normal routines. Please pray for these upcoming opportunities:
 - March 20th: Maranatha Baptist Church, Cedar Springs, MI.
 - April 3rd: Updating Fellowship Baptist Church, Lawrence, KS.
 - April 10th: Updating Gretna Baptist Church, Gretna, NE (AM services).
- Please pray for Andy as he is studying to prepare a sermon for this year's annual CBM family conference in July. He has been asked to preach during one of the sessions. We see this as quite an honor and we ask for the Holy Spirit's help to guide Andy's preparation and studying.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT!