

"Islam is not what damns the Muslim. Sin is what damns the Muslim. Islam is simply a man's false solution to the problem of sin."

Apryl Haynes, 2020

Dear Pastor,

November - December 2020

Furlough 2020

We are so grateful to the Lord for the churches who have stood with us through our first term and for those who have joined with us in 2020. Our first furlough, in spite of the multiplicity of issues that plagued 2020, was a blessing to us. It is our sincere desire and hope that our churches were encouraged by our report, preaching and testimony of God's goodness and working in Iraqi Kurdistan. Apryl and I do not take your financial support for granted. We acknowledge the fact that many sacrifice to give through their local church and that sacrifice, through God's graciousness, allows us to remain in Iraqi Kurdistan preaching Jesus to the people we love. Thank you.

Returning Home

We are settling back in Iraqi Kurdistan after one year away. We thought it would be a repeat of the difficulties we faced during our initial arrival on the field. Nothing could be further from the truth. Everything that could go right has gone right. God has shown us more grace in these last few weeks than we can properly express in such a short letter. Perhaps I could say it another way. Everything that could go wrong has gone right. Everything. Our house, our language, our relationships and so many more things that should have brought struggle have brought us only blessing and awe at God's mercy.

Gospel Opportunities

<u>Kurdistan</u> - There have been more opportunities to share the Gospel in our short time back than we experienced in an entire year during our first term! We were jet-lagged, mentally sluggish and only three days back in Kurdistan when God allowed us to to witness to 4 people. There is so much more to say and I am excited about our next letter as it will further detail the Gospel opportunities that God has provided.

Plans and Needs

PRAY:

- *We are able to raise the remaining finances for our Emergency Fund.
- *We are able to raise the remaining finances for the purchase of a reliable and safe vehicle.

As always, we ask for your prayers that God would make us effective in the ministry of the Gospel.