



ROCK of AGES MINISTRIES

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"For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord." II Corinthians 4:5

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Dear Pastor, Church & Praying friends,

"And the heavens shall praise thy wonders, O LORD: thy faithfulness also in the congregation of the saints." Psalm 89:5

In a time when not only the towns, cities and nation we live in is affected so greatly but the entire world, how needful it is to keep our eyes on the One that we have declared a thousand times, is *"still on the throne!"* Someone said, "It is true that words come easy... life a little harder. But if the words are Truth, then the Truth remains." The heavens are yet praising the wonders of God. Oh, be encouraged saint of God and let us yet declare His faithfulness!



We want to thank you sincerely for your love and prayers, and are so thankful for every pastor and church who has been able to continue sending support, and for each of you who has not been able to. *These times are a reminder that we all are clothed and fed according to His riches in glory, and God's family depends not on the \$ but on the Father!*

Praise the Lord for a great week at Missionary Candidate Classes in March. It was a privilege to work with those making application leading up to classes. *The Lord added all three families to the Rock of Ages family of missionaries!* Please pray for Bro. Justin Bushey & family, Bro. Colter Patterson and Bro. Christopher Shumate as they begin deputation ministry.

We arrived back home just as measures began to be put in place due to Covid19, and since then working from home has been the norm, which has included updating some areas of policy and writing other material. It has also been a blessing to have the opportunity to catch up on long-needed things at home, including rebuilding a small storage shed that had fallen apart!

I have been speaking with Pastor Gideon (Nepal) and Brother Thanga (India) to keep up with them & their families, the church and the work. Both India and Nepal are on strict lockdown, currently until May 3. Thankfully, Brother Thanga, Pastor Gideon and their families are well and are provided for. However, *Pastor Gideon and his wife were at his brother's wedding in India when lockdown started - their 8 adopted children are in Nepal, being cared for by the local school headteacher.* Brother Mardi (Nepal) who does the bulk of the prison work, is struggling. He and his family are poor, and like so many in Nepal they live day-to-day and have no bank account. Although money can be sent through someone else, the lockdown is so strict that *there is no way to physically get funds to their home. Pastor Gideon told me they have enough food for another few days, but after that it will start to get very difficult for them.* Please pray for the Mardi family.

As we look to the weeks and months that lie ahead, let us pray to the Lord for wisdom and a sensitive ear to hear His leading. Pastor, I pray the Lord give you great insight as you seek His guidance and the sermons to lead your people. Our brothers and sisters in Christ, I pray the Lord's sufficient grace and His peace be with you. May the Lord keep us safe, knowing that God will receive the glory and knowing all things are working together for the good of those that love God and are called according to His purpose. **BE ENCOURAGED!** The heavens shall praise His wonders... let the saints declare His faithfulness! Amen!

Brother Mark Waddington & family

Praise:

- For the unseen wonders being worked by our God!
- Three new missionary families serving with Rock of Ages!
- God's provision for Pastor Gideon's children in Nepal!

Prayer Requests:

- Brother Mardi & family - provision during the pandemic
- Brothers Thanga & Khailam in Manipur, India - safety
- Pastor Gideon & wife in India, their 8 children in Nepal

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