

Greetings from Costa Rica



Chuck & Joy Befus

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Befus Report

Eph. 3:20-21 Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Prayer! This letter has at its core, prayer! To us, prayer is the evidence of our dependence on God. We can do nothing in our own bodies (flesh) but He who dwells in us can and will guide us as we depend on Him



(pray, Col 1:27 Rom 8:26-27). We should be 100% dependent, praying always, but so often we “depend” in prayer but then offer our plans, forgetting to rest in Him (not real prayer) and off we go in our strength to do everything God “can’t do”. How foolish we are and how God must ache as He sees our efforts, self-glory, and sinful deeds. So let us tell you the



many reasons why prayer is the center of this letter.

First and foremost, we recently found that one of our children has a mass in the third ventricle of their brain. Scans and tests have begun to diagnose the mass and to determine the best course of treatment. So, it is obvious why prayer is the epicenter because we come to a place in which we can do nothing but go to God. We depend on Him; we pray to Him; and we ask you to pray to Him on our behalf!

As a church (Iglesia Biblica de la Gracia) we bought a piece of land nearly 4 years ago. It was a work of God that we had prayed about, and He answered! We were amazed (How can we be surprised by God?). Now these years later



IBG church and land

and with the pandemic and a church that has struggled, we need to sell a portion of the land to get out of the large burden of payments. In the next year we pray that God will provide the company or the person who will purchase the land. Please pray with us. We know God is faithful and has His eyes on His righteous ones through His Son and therefore pray for His blessing.

We also pray thanking our God for a super great team of pastoral men who have stepped up to the plate and are teaching and preaching and taking care of God’s family. Pray for these men as they not only prepare to lead IBG but also enable this ministry to plant other churches in Costa Rica! We have come out of the pandemic with an urgency to do the work of sharing

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God's Grace with others for salvation and for building up our brothers and sisters in Christ. It has been a long while since we have had such a team of men dedicated and serving the Lord. There is no doubt in our minds that the devil's workers will be trying to destroy this team (and has already tried). We will begin teaching classes in our Bible institute and have planned events for our family to reach out to others and bring them to activities to hear the gospel presented.



Men of IBG



Thane and Brena

Since we last wrote to you, we are also in thankful prayer for three new additions to our family. Thane married Brena and Regan married Ben Lorenz. All nine of our children are now married. And then in October, Caleb and Mary had their fourth baby, Wesley Clarence. That makes us grandparents to 15 wonderful grandkids. God certainly blesses and works when we depend on Him.

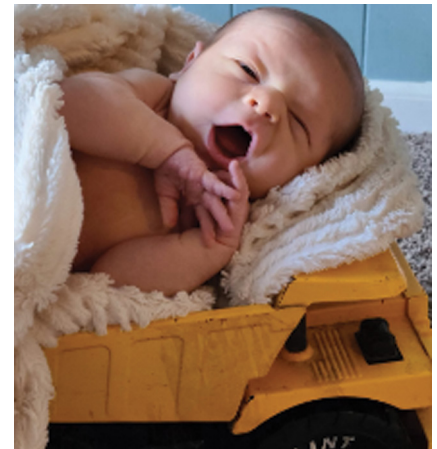


Regan and Ben

We thank our God for all of you and your prayers and support towards the ministry here in Costa Rica! Let's Keep Praying!



The family



Baby Wesley Clarence

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