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The theme of this letter is A CHANGE OF VIEW.

The view from our house to the south was the Caribbean Sea—water going as far as the eye could see, over the horizon. To the north, across the camp property, we could see the radio station, where for decades we broadcast the gospel and God's plan for mankind, to the people of Puerto Rico.

A change of view was in store. As the focus of our ministry was about to change, the mission suggested we make our base of operation in the States. Looking into many areas that might work (keeping in mind the number one criteria – no snow {living all those years in the tropics does not allow for such a drastic change}), we chose the Atlanta area. We ran into a learning experience we had not anticipated—that of the U. S. housing market. We looked into every town east of Atlanta, north to south. As soon as a house came onto the market, and sometimes even when we made an appointment to view it, but before we could, the house was sold out from under us. When we were at our wit's end, the Lord seemed to say, "you tried, now I will should you how it's done." A home that had been sold came back on the market, our realtor got the word, showed it to us, and both Barbara and I responded with "this is our house." Our view now is from Stockbridge, GA, where everywhere there are rolling hills and trees on both sides of the road (not an ocean in sight).

To teach a Bible class it was normal for the students to be seated in front of the teacher. Now we have a new view, it's a computer screen using Zoom to connect with the students. I had an introduction to this view with the pastors of the ABC islands and the Netherlands in May. It is amazing how we can use the technology as a communication tool and I trust it will open more teaching opportunities for me into Latin America in the coming months.

Now our view has changed again. As we look out the window, we do not see water nor trees, but great rock formations and red plains as we are seated in the Navajo reservation on the border of Window Rock, Arizona, and Tse Bonito, New Mexico. We are on a five-week assignment working with the Across Nations Mission, helping them install a new broadcast automation system for their three radio station network. These stations are the voice of the Gospel into the Indian nations. It is

a joy to be able to help them improve their broadcast outreach. The view is not only different, the air is also, as we are at 6,800 feet. (Remember, we spent a lifetime at sea level.) Somewhat of a hindrance to enjoying the view is that we came in contact with Covid-19 and have tested positive. Two rooms of the station were sealed off so I could work on the computer systems without contact with others during our quarantine. To add to the adventure, Barbara fell on her hip and broke a bone. Because of Covid, she had to be flown to Albuquerque where they had operating rooms equipped for Covid patients. After a three-day wait they operated on her and five days later I was able to bring her back to the Navajo reservation. So now I am nurse Lawrence as well as trying to train the station personnel in the new automation system. This is more of an adventure than we had planned. At least, we got the view of Albuquerque from the hospital window.

Now we are looking forward to new views. As our goal is to present the Maurice Hammond Bible studies (which I have converted to a digital format) in some of the other Grace Ministries fields—our view may be those of Central or South America or even Africa. We are waiting on the Lord to see which fields and in what order the opportunities open.

Changes in view are wonderful because we see God working from a myriad of different angles. Please continue in prayer for the Lord to quickly heal Barbara so she can function on her own, give us new and clear opportunities, the health needed to complete the tasks, and the spiritual eagerness to be ready for new views.

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