



March 2018 Newsletter

Hi everyone, I

f I had been as late to my wedding as I am with this newsletter Pam would have walked off and looked for a better man. My apologies.

I grew up in the Willamette valley in the small town of Lowell. Lowell, Fall Creek, Dexter, and Lost Creek were my “stomping grounds” if kids actually have stomping grounds. Many weekends were spent with my Burke cousins who lived in the Lost Creek area. My cousin Jim and I spent hours exploring many miles of the area, both in places where it was fine for us to be and in places where we probably shouldn’t have been. We were not trouble causers, just boys loving the explore time. When I spent Saturday night there---and I did it a lot---my aunt Ardis always took time to drive me to church. She was 100% faithful to my desire to attend church, and over time I became quite comfortable at the small church up the creek. My Aunt Ardis passed away this past winter; she was in her 90’s. I will be eternally grateful to her for love and care for me while I was growing up.

In truth, the last six months have been personally tough for me. My mother passed away in the fall of 2017, my aunt Ardis this past winter, and then last week my oldest

brother, Lucky Bill Lundy, passed away from cancer at the age of 70. Each of these loved ones was special to me in their own way as you might imagine. I already talked about my aunt, but my Mom is the one who nurtured me along in life, supported me when I went to church in Lowell as a child, and loved and prayed for me, and this ministry, as an adult. I was able to take her home to Iowa a couple of times in her last years, and it was a joy to see her with her friends and siblings. Luck was always one that I looked up to. We visited quite a bit via email, and whenever we could in person when we went to the valley. He had an amazing sense of humor, and a deep faith in the Lord. I will always miss him, but am in joy for him now.

Sooner or later every one of us will face death. I am ready and I hope you are as well. For those who do not know Jesus, death has a sting, a fear of the unknown eternity, and rightfully so. For those in Christ, death has no sting for we are certain of our eternal future, in heaven with Him. Every believer like Lucky is reunited with friends and loved ones who went before them, friends who made the commitment to Christ. “I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.” These words of Jesus should make everyone stop in their tracks!

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If you need help with getting a glimpse of life after death, I strongly recommend the book *Imagine Heaven*, by John Burke. He was an atheist who became a pastor after learning about heaven.

KMI

Our plans to take a medical team to Uganda in May have been postponed indefinitely. Uganda has implemented new laws that require incoming medical teams to be registered and show their ability to provide good medicine before they can practice there now. We knew this would be coming, and in all honesty, I think it is a good thing. It keeps everyone upfront and honest with their medical personnel, and it protects the people of Uganda. We will continue to patiently work through the process, which is looking like it might take several months. I may need to make a business trip to Uganda around May or June to help sort things out. More later.

On the books for KMI is a Pastor's conference at Sipi, Uganda in August. This will be our 6th year at Sipi, and we are very happy to continue this service to our pastors there. Again, we will let you know more about the conference as time goes on. Also, in October, Pam and I are going on a medical mission with an organization called Sea Mercy, based out of the Veneta, Oregon. We will spend 2 weeks in the south Pacific traveling by catamaran from island to island, working with six other people to put on medical clinics. Pam will medically treat children as she always does. I will either help in the pharmacy, or help with set-up and first aid like I do when we go to K & K. This is a "search out the land" mission. After we come home we will meet with the KMI Board and decide if we want to continue with this partnership or not. We will let you know in November or December.

We are continuing with the construction of the K & K School, and with the operation of the school itself. There are now 450 students in grades K-Senior 3. Next year we will add Senior 4, and that is as big as our school plans to get. (Students who pass their S4 exams are allowed to go to an A-Level ---Advanced Level--- secondary school for 2 years, and if they pass their exit exam from S6, they can move on to a university.) Students who do not pass the S4 exams can either enter the work force as laborers, or they can go to a trade-school to learn tailoring, mechanics, construction, nursing, and those types of things. Once students finish school or a trade program, they are dropped from the program and hopefully their sponsors will pick up a young child and continue with sponsoring.

You heard me say that we have 450 students at the K & K School. Next year, after we add the Senior 4 class, there will be 500! As of now we only have 100 sponsors. The school is operating on a shoestring budget. If you would, if the Lord gives you any inkling about it at all, please prayerfully consider the possibility of K & K School sponsorship. If you are already a sponsor, please prayerfully consider recommending sponsorship to a close friend or family member.

Thank you once again for your continued love, prayers, and financial support for KMI. We appreciate your trust and work very hard to continually deserve it. Above all else, the Board of KMI and I thank you for praying for the ministry. Nothing happens without prayer. Never wonder if your prayers matter: **THEY DO!!!**

May the Lord bless you with a wonderful spring season. **HE IS RISEN!!! He IS King of Kings!!! He IS Lord of Lords!!!**

Serving Him,

D.C.