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The Monthly Newsletter of Jonathan and Denielle Johnson

Dear Friends,

We continued down the winding dirt road as the early winter nightfall encroached upon the tall pines and rolling hills around us. I made frequent glances at the directions I scribbled in my journal and the checked and rechecked the odometer just to make sure we were still on the right road. We reminded ourselves that we were not heading to the uttermost part of the earth, though even our cell phone lost contact with a tower. No, upon arrival we found another warm reception and sweet time of fellowship with brothers and sisters in Christ, this time in the big woods of northeastern Wisconsin.

The coldest days to date that we have endured corresponded with a Youth Retreat in northern Minnesota. The cold temps did not hinder a teachable spirit and a good response to God's Word that youth from two different churches exhibited for parts of three days. We enjoyed our time with each one and the opportunity to share with them from the Word of God as well as from our lives and experience. We are praying for a lasting impact in all who participated.

We got around in January, visiting five churches in five states: Kansas, North and South Dakota, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. It was a privilege to see many dear friends and partners in the gospel.

We are currently visiting family in Wisconsin and preparing for a youth retreat February 10-12 with the Wisconsin Rural Bible Crusade. Later in the month we will be participating in a missions conference in Minnesota and also giving a missions presentation in Iowa. Thanks for praying for us as we travel. In March we look forward to making visits with friends in central Illinois and South Dakota.

We continue to adjust to the mobile lifestyle. We are so thankful for our families who have gone out of their way to make us comfortable and at home while interrupting their family routines and sharing their space with us.

January 17th marked ElliAnna's fourth birthday. Eight little girls gathered to giggle, squeal, and eat cake to help us celebrate. You can find pictures of the event on Facebook. We are grateful for both of our children and ask for prayer that we might train them wisely in the unique circumstances of life on the road. Above all, it is our ultimate desire that they see their need of Christ at a young age and turn to Him.

As always, we give thanks for each of you. Many of you are on our list to visit and spend time with in the coming months. Thank you for your example to us in prayer and generosity.

The Body of Christ is truly unique in the world. There is nothing like it that transcends nationality, personality, politics, wealth or family history. We praise God for being part of that Body, partaking of the grace of God with you, and sharing the Hope of reconciliation with the world around us.

With Love,

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