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## December 2025

*"So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."*

*~Ps. 90:12*

Dear ,

I will make this letter short and sweet. December has been a light month as far as meetings go, but God is good. I am looking forward to seeing what God will do next year, and I am still praying and working toward late summer 2026 as my goal to be fully funded. Thank you to those of you who participated in Giving Tuesday with BMM! We met and exceeded the match goal of \$25,000 to be divided among the new

missionaries. Thank you for praying alongside me; if God has a different timeline, I will accept that. Even so, having a goal to work toward helps me to keep going!

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## **Small but Mighty**

Although my December was light, I am thankful for the meetings I was able to have. Two churches in Michigan had me share about the ministry in small settings. It was a good opportunity for discussion; I am thankful for thoughtful questions about the lesser-known Deaf culture around the world.

I was also able to meet up with another Michigan pastor and a layman in his church. This man is Dutch and who is planning to return with his family to his home country for ministry. It was wonderful to hear his perspective on ministry in the Netherlands. The final meeting was with my neighbor who has a heart for missions as well.

## **Changes at Church**

Last month, my pastor of five years made the tough decision to follow the Lord to another church in New York. He just had his last Sunday with us on the 28th. This came as something unexpected and extremely fast to us, but many prayers went into this decision. Thank you, Pastor and Mrs. Perkins, for all you have done to serve the Lord, whether seen or unseen. Thank you for what you have meant to me walking with me through many spiritual highs and lows. You will continue to be in my prayers.

Please pray for my sending church family now as we seek a new pastor. Our pastor to the Deaf is serving as our interim pastor. Having other responsibilities as well, that position is a lot to carry. Please pray that God will bring the right man quickly, that I can get to know him and

his wife well, and that they will be just as supportive in my missionary endeavors.

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## The Greatest Gift



I hope you all had a very Merry Christmas. Always remember, Christmas would not exist without Christ. He is the greatest gift ever given to us in life. As Christians, He has given us the gift of eternal life. He has also given every person the gift of life on this earth. How one uses it determines a lot. Looking back on 2025, I can see many times when I used it well and God was glorified. I can also see many times when the opposite was true; I wish that was not the case. How has God been teaching you to number your days so you will apply your hearts to wisdom? I encourage you to take time to look back over this year and see how you have valued or wasted your time. God left us here for one reason only - to glorify Him! He deserves what little we can give back after giving us the greatest gift in history. May He help us do what He desires; that will certainly be cause for a Happy New Year. God bless you all!



## Praises

- Encouraging meetings with churches and individuals
- Continuing to grow new familial relationships

## Prayer Requests

- Sending church's pastoral search
- Pastor Perkins to adapt to new ministry well
- Safe travels across Michigan in the winter weather
- Comfort and salvation for my aunt Janet (still)
- Meetings scheduled next year **(if you know of any churches looking for missionary guests, I would**

be happy to have you pass  
along their information!)

In Christ,



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