



The Spotlight - July 2021



Last month, we began with a request for prayer but this month we begin with a request for praise - not for us of course, but for our Heavenly Father who answered all prayers for Jim to be able to get out of Fiji on the 10th June as planned. Despite his flight being cancelled, he was given permission to board a special charter flight heading to the US that same night. We thank you for every prayer said for him because not only did we reunite as planned but he was also able to be present two days later when Chase proposed to our daughter Leanne. She said yes, and we can report that both families are delighted. Chase's parents, Denise and Wade, work and minister in Indonesia and as they were back in Texas for the month of June, they too were able to attend the surprise party that Chase and his friends had arranged.

We can also now reveal where we will be living from mid August. We still have to get visas when we arrive in London, but we're moving to work and serve in Kazakhstan. We visited for a week in 2019 and said at the time what a wonderful place it was and how we could live there! Little did we know that that was precisely what God had in mind for us! We're truly excited and looking forward to all that He has planned for us to do there.

That said, we must not let this moment pass leaving anyone to think that this period was trial free, for although, everything has worked out so perfectly for us (as God always promises), it was a very long wait from the day the Lord revealed the time was coming for us to leave Fiji until the day He clearly revealed His plans. For almost eighteen months, He required us to be patient and hold fast to His Word; sometimes, we think He takes His time just so He can see the depth of our faith and trust in Him, but that's OK, we can understand that well and we have nothing but praise for Him, for He carried us through shaky days and strengthened us to constantly look up and into His word and not down! If you're in a time of waiting, please be encouraged, for if you belong to Him, your future is guaranteed and even better, the best doesn't depend on you!

So now, we leave you with links to this past month's stellar sermons:

- [1. How Jesus Treats Us When We Fail - Graeme Shanks](#)
- [2. God's Patience is Limitless - Priscilla Shirer](#)
- [3. The Amazing Grace of God - Multiple Speakers](#)
- [4. The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry - John Mark Comer](#)

And we finish with a thank you for wanting to remain on our mailing list. If you have such a list yourself and we don't know about it, please put us on yours and if you don't, then please just keep in touch and let us know how you're doing from time to time and, of course, ask for prayer at anytime!

God bless you always, Love Jim & Elaine

*Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. (Isaiah 43:19)*

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