



The Dawson Family

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Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. In 4:35

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Four out of ten
Australians are either
immigrants or first-
generation children of
immigrants.
Australia has more than
20% of the world's
poker machines.
Australians read more
newspapers than any
other nation.

As the holiday season ended and we began hitting the road full time once again, we cannot help but thank the Lord for the mountaintops and valleys through which He has brought us. Those experiences have increased our faith and drawn us closer in dependence upon Him. We are reminded as well that the sacrificial giving of many allows us to continue on deputation as we strive for that elusive one-hundred percent goal.

In our previous prayer letter we rejoiced at how God seemingly took care of a major financial obstacle. The hospital where Jennifer had surgery told us they were going to write the bill off. Although we still owe substantial amounts of money to all the doctors and labs, this was a major relief. However, the hospital informed us last month that we were still responsible for the bill of over \$30,000.00. We were told that the staff person who spoke with us before had spoken out of turn. We have been pleading with them since then and have agreed on a settlement of \$6,500.00. We have this in writing this time. This is still a very large hurdle for us but we feel that with the help of those who are burdened to help us with that amount, we can take care of it. It is imperative that we not have looming debt as we transition to the field. In fact, we are still praying that we reach the fifty percent mark so we can get health insurance.

Meanwhile, we are still filling our calendar for the year of 2012. We have many meetings scheduled, but we need many more. I had hoped to fill up March and April with conferences as we did last year, but there are still many openings for those months. We spent most of January in western Colorado and in west Texas. We will spend February in east Texas and in Louisiana. April will be spent in Florida and Georgia. We are not sure where the rest of the year will be spent yet.

We are determined to leave for Brisbane by Thanksgiving 2013. We hope God will get us there sooner. Please ask God to enable churches where we have been previously to pick us up for financial support. Please also ask God to allow churches who support us to continue to grow in their faith and in giving. Finally, pray for our travel safety.