

# FOGLE “PEP TALK” SEPTEMBER 2015

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Dear friends,

## ***AN UNUSUAL SUNDAY MORNING***

On August 30 we spoke at Good News Baptist Church in Roanoke. In the morning service the pastor finished the announcements and prepared to pray. A man in the congregation surprised us all by raising his hand and calling out, “I want to be saved! Do you think you can fit that in somewhere?”

Pastor Darren Meadows took this in stride and responded, “We can take care of that for you! How about right after I pray? I’ll meet you in the aisle and we’ll find a room where we can talk.” After prayer the man and his wife both followed the pastor out of the auditorium.

The service continued until, just before I was to preach, Pastor Darren reappeared. He brought Jeff and Wendy to the front with him and introduced them to the congregation as our new brother and sister in Christ!

If we understand correctly, the couple used to attend occasionally with the encouragement of relatives in the church, but hadn’t been there for a long time. Now they were back, ripe and ready to trust Christ as their Savior. What a reminder that God is still at work in people’s hearts, even when we have no idea what He’s doing!

## ***TEAR DUCT SURGERY RE-SCHEDULED***

Larry has had a problem with a blocked tear duct in his left eye for over a year. Three consultations in late 2014 led to scheduling surgery for mid-August 2015, the first time his travels would allow him sufficient time for the required follow-up. We cancelled that August surgery for financial reasons, expecting to revisit the matter again in the last half of next year.

We have a group insurance policy through BMM that would cover such a surgery, but because of our limited financial support we have opted for a \$5,000 annual deductible on the policy in order to keep our monthly payments lower. We have been told the surgery will cost about \$5,000. Consequently, we would have to cover the entire cost of the surgery out of pocket.

One of our supporting churches became concerned about our not getting help for the eye until a year from now and provided \$2,500 toward the \$5,000 cost. We are grateful for this significant gift to help! With God’s provision we trust we will be able to cover the remaining cost, and have re-scheduled the surgery for October 28, with sufficient time for follow-up before Larry’s next teaching trip to MYANMAR.

## ***PROGRESS ON OUR THIRD BOOK***

We are happy to report that we have completed the writing for our third book. That doesn’t mean the book is finished! The manuscript is in the hands of our editors now. We will face a couple of rounds of their edits in the next month, then the project will go to our final editor. After her work we will have a month to finalize the text, add pictures and submit everything to the publisher. Our proposed timeline will have everything out of our hands before Larry leaves for Myanmar the day before Thanksgiving!

## ***PRAISE THE LORD WITH US***

1. For the \$2,500 gift toward the cost of Larry’s eye surgery, and for God’s sovereign control over the surgeon’s schedule to reserve October 28 for me – it was the only time

slot left in the surgeon's schedule through the end of the year! Otherwise we would have had no option but to schedule for August 2016.

2. For the completion of the writing for our third book. In spite of the editing still ahead of us, we feel like a heavy burden has been lifted off of us!

### ***PRAY WITH US***

1. For the ongoing translation into Spanish of Larry's course on "Christian Ministries," which is intended to expose Bible college students to a variety of ministry options, along with qualifications and some basic guidelines for each of those ministries. Larry is to teach this course twice next year in Latin American countries, so he will need this course in Spanish. Pray also for translation being done on various other teaching materials for upcoming PEP trips.

2. For more financial support for our partners Scott and Victoria Williquette, and for son-in-law and daughter John and Janine Chilufya. Pray also for the last steps in John's immigration process – only the civics test and the swearing-in ceremony remain, and they could happen any time.

Thank you again for your faithful prayers and gifts to allow us to do what God has called us to do!

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