



Winter Ministry Update 2020

CALLING INDIVIDUALS TO PURITY AND HOLINESS THROUGH THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST

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Dear Friends Following Christ,

A CRAZY ride! The next 3 -4 months are so FULL of change. We thought we would give you a brief overview.

We arrive in Chicago for Brad's Stem Cell Transplant on Feb. 1st with the transplant to happen Feb. 11th. God in His loving providence has chosen our daughter Bonnie to be his donor. PLEASE pray for God's favor and healing upon Brad's body. We couldn't be more thankful for this in so many ways. After the transplant, the next 30 days we will live in the hospital while Robin stays in a hotel room next to the hospital. The following 60 days we will be living in that hotel with a discharge hopefully in mid-May 2020. Pastor Dave Gabel is the Pastor of a church in Gowanda and their church recently purchased a lovely home that they are currently remodeling. Once released from Chicago, we will drive directly to this home to recuperate – *Rebuild – Restore – Renew!*

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Joel and Jodi are on the move too. As you read the back page of this letter, they share more details with you, but we are so happy to see God returning workers to this area of Western NY where PFG had cultivated ministry through outreach, training programs, a radio program, and youth gatherings. Joel and Jodi's new work in this area is FRUIT on top of the years of labor done there and to see them join Dave and Sarah, previous "TYM" trainees and PFG Staff, is pure JOY!

There is SO much to say. This whole letter outlines some of our deepest prayer and ministry needs we have. Please PRAY DAILY for us. PLEASE continue to Give! There are many needs at this strategic time and boy, are we EXCITED!!!

**It's a GREAT ADVENTURE,
Love Brad and Robin**



If you would like to send cards to Brad and Robin in Chicago, mail to:

CTCA/RINGER
2520 Elisha Avenue
Zion, IL. 60099



Please continue to mail donation checks to:

Pure For God Ministries, Inc.
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11205 Roseland Rd.
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The Pure For God Fellowship

2020 will see the Pure For God Fellowship take shape as relationships build and develop, and the group seeks the Lord's direction. The fellowship is a group of PFG friends and current and past staff members who all share PFG's values. Our next time together is in mid-February, and will be a time to pray together, worship, study, and support and encourage one another in the areas of ministry we are all serving. We are committed to see where the Lord takes this group and what He uses it for!

Joel and Jodi's Update

Dear friends,

This February, God is leading us on from Sebastian, Florida, to somewhere quite different!

For our final 3 months here in the U.S, we will be moving to and living in Gowanda (1hr south of Buffalo NY). This may come as a surprise!

In October of last year, we went up to Gowanda to meet longtime friends and board members of Pure for God, Dave and Sarah Gabel (and their 5 boys). We talked and talked with Dave and Sarah. Each sharing our stories, values, passions, hopes, and dreams late into each night of our week with them. It became clear to us all that God had plans to unite us. We found genuine brothers and sisters in them and a community to take the Gospel to.

To travel affordably, safely (and sanely) to Gowanda with all of our belongings, we have booked for Jodi and Jesse to fly up, whilst I drive a trailer with Dave 1,217 miles north. We then have to fly back to Orlando late April, to catch our flight back to the U.K (due to having booked our flights a while ago).

If in reading this letter, Father God has prompted you to fund His plans for us – please consider seriously what your gift will and can do!

\$160 (or £123) will cover Jodi and Jesse's flight

\$186 (or £143) will cover the rental of the trailer

\$150 (or £115) will cover the gas

\$350 (or £267) will cover flights back to Orlando



We believe and trust wholly this is God's will for us and so have already begun purchasing these needs. This means we do not currently have finances to afford necessities up to April. Please remember we cannot earn any money here and count on your kindness to support us.

We stand in agreement with Job, who said of God "I know that you can do all things and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted." Please stand with us, put your trust in God and come to our aid in any way you can.

Finally, to our Florida friends, a wholehearted thank you! We came here to serve and learn. You made so much of that possible - especially our friends at Riverside Church! We learned that God also brought us to heal from past hurts and dig better foundations for what's to come and again you so graciously aided much of that. We believe our connection with you is significant and pray for purposes ahead... did someone say "missions trips"?! We'll be back in April for a final farewell before we head to the UK for a while. Thank you for being incredibly kind to us and standing in like family. We love you.

To all who read this – it is so encouraging to know we're not alone and that you're following along and praying for us! You are precious!

**With gratitude and love
from Joel and Jodi**

If you are led to give, please mail checks to:

Joel and Jodi Thomas
165 Caroline Road, Gowanda, NY, 14070

OUR MISSION

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