



Lord willing, this will be our last prayer letter to you before we leave for Moldova on February 3rd. We look forward to reporting on God's working in Moldova in the months and years ahead, if the Lord tarries.

UPDATE ON QASSIM

I did get to meet with Qassim again for about 45 minutes when we got back to Memphis. He continues to ask questions and show a hunger for the truth.

Amazingly, the Koran includes many aspects of truth that are found in the Bible, like hell. He said the Koran teaches that sinners will go to a place of torments. He fears the thought of him possibly going there after death. Pray that he will admit that Allah and the Koran offer not true hope of escaping that judgment.

Pray that our meetings in January will be done in the power of God's Word and His Spirit. Pray for Qassim to repent of his false religion and believe on Christ as his Saviour.

ARRIVAL OF #3

Daniel Everett Gross was born on December 22 at 12:12 a.m. Thank you for praying for the safe (and fast!) delivery. Stephanie began labor at 10:30 p.m. on Monday, her parents picked up Abby and Caleb after 11 p.m., the midwife arrived at our home at 12:02 a.m., and Daniel was born 10 minutes later!

We do have two requests regarding little Daniel. **First, please pray that the yellow jaundice will pass soon. Secondly, please pray that we will get his birth certificate in the mail before January 15th.** For Tennessee, it normally takes 40 days to get the birth certificate, but we don't have that much time. We must have it in order to apply for his passport at least two weeks before we leave. Providentially, our midwife knows the director over the birth certificate department, and the director has graciously decided to help expedite the process to help meet our

deadlines. **Please pray that all our documents arrive on time.**

GREAT FALL MONTHS OF 2009

God gave us a great conclusion to deputation during the Fall months of this past year. Every church where we presented our ministry encouraged us and were a blessing to be with. Since our last prayer letter, the Lord has provided five more supporting churches, bringing us up to 91% in our needed monthly support! God also blessed us with good health and safe travels. I also had the privilege of leading a young man, Chris, to the Lord while in Maryland. **Please pray for Chris to grow spiritually and faithfully attend church.**

BIG FEBRUARY

As our departure date on February 3rd draws closer, our excitement grows but so does our realization of our greatest need from you.... prayer. Here are our top requests:

1. Pray for a safe and smooth travel over to Moldova.

Just picture us with three children (one being 6 weeks old), eight pieces of

luggage, four carry-on bags, and a stroller traveling for over 26 hrs. on four different flights. Imagine what to pray for.

2. Pray for us to choose the right place to live. Somewhere God has some new neighbors for us to begin ministering to.

3. Pray for an excellent language tutor. This will only come about as an answer to prayer.

4. Pray for ALL of us to learn the languages.
5. Pray that we will find a good, used van. Almost all vehicles for sale in Moldova have been in accidents and repaired. We need wisdom to find a good van at a good price.

6. Pray for a smooth transition for our entire family into the Moldovan life and culture and for spiritual strength.

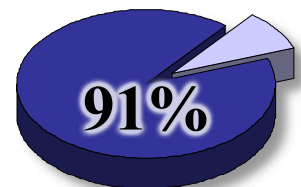


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Prayer Requests & Praises:

- **Praise the Lord for 5 new supporting churches:**
 - Grace BC in Oxford, PA
 - Lighthouse BC in Springdale, AR
 - Victory BC in Charlotte Hall, MD
 - Valley BC in Oswego, IL
 - Calvary BC in Dundalk, MD
- **Praise the Lord for the safe delivery of Daniel Everett Gross.**
- **Pray for the birth certificate and passports to all come in on time.**
- **Pray for Qassim and Gemima's salvation.**
- **Pray for Chris to grow spiritually and attend church.**
- **Pray for our remaining 9% to come in over the next couple months.**
- **Pray for the BIG February requests.**
- **Thank you for your prayers and financial support!**

Monthly Support Level:



Our Itinerary:

- January 5 - exit interview @ BIMI
- January 9-13 - Cordova, TN
- January 17 - Atoka, TN
- January 24 - Water Valley, MS
- February 3 - Depart for Moldova!

