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PREPARATION FOR HARVEST

I pray this letter finds you well, filled with the joy and blessings of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ. As the vibrant colors of spring burst forth and nature awakens from its winter slumber, I am reminded of the incredible faithfulness and support you continuously pour into the ministry of EMU International. Your prayers and financial contributions are like seeds sown in fertile soil, yielding a harvest of hope, transformation, and kingdom impact.

As I sit on my back deck to write this letter, witnessing the blooming flowers, and the budding trees, listening to the constant chirping of birds, I cannot but draw a parallel between our mission and the Master Gardener's plan for harvest. I'm looking down at the area where for the past few years, I have planted tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers, squash, zucchini, and okra. While growing a garden takes a lot of work, it is always exciting to enjoy the fruit of your labor. I've always found God faithful, and as long as I did my part to tend the garden well, He has always blessed us.

This does not happen though without patience and perseverance. It is necessary to diligently prepare the soil, sow the seeds, and nurture the plants, trusting that growth will come in due time. I remember when I was in second grade, our

teacher gave each of the students a paper cup. She had us gather around a table that held a bag of potting soil. She then gave each of us a lima bean. She showed us how to plant the bean by pressing her finger into the soil. We each followed her example, covering each bean with a thin layer of soil, ensuring it was snug and secure in its new home. We then carefully sprinkled water onto the soil, moistening it just enough to nourish the seed without drowning it. Admiring our handiwork, we placed the cups on the windowsill and waited with anticipation. Nothing happened. The next morning, we gathered around the window, and... nothing. We learned that planting a garden is an act of faith. We had to trust that the seeds sowed would eventually sprout and grow. It took almost two weeks before we saw growth taking place, but then after just a few weeks, each of us had a healthy plant. Similarly, our ministry journey often involves seasons of waiting and trusting in God's timing. As we sow seeds of faithfulness and obedience, we can rest assured that God is at work behind the scenes, bringing about His purposes in His perfect timing. As we journey through this month of April, may we be inspired to faithfully do our part and trust God to do His part in the preparation for harvest. Please pray with us that God would send laborers into His harvest.

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- Please pray for the Cambodian Pastors' School which will have another three-day "semester," April 17-19. The theme of this block is "The Christian Family." Pray for the teachers and students who will travel to Ban Lung for the event.
- Pray for the Farmer family and for Brooke Illsley, who will begin their furlough on April 19. They plan to return to their ministry in northeastern Cambodia in September.
- Pray for Billy Judson and the critical elections being held in India beginning April 19. The results will be announced on June 4. It has been stated that this will be the world's most significant religious political election with critical implications for religious freedom. May the Lord have mercy on the land of India. For more information view: <https://emuinternational.org/billylinks>.
- Pray for the Annual EMU International Board Meeting which will be held on Saturday, April 20.
- Pray for the Josh Jensen family as they will be traveling in North and South Carolina and Pennsylvania for services in the coming weeks.

Thank you once again for your unwavering support and partnership in ministry. Your prayers and financial contributions are making an eternal difference in the lives of countless souls around the world.

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Attention Pastors

I am currently planning my calendar for 2024. In addition to traveling and visiting the EMU International missionaries on their various fields of service, I have had the privilege of preaching in Christian School chapels, Pastors' Fellowships, at Christian Camps, Missions Conferences, Revival Meetings, and Family Conferences. I am also available for single meetings to promote the work of EMU International. Contact me if you are interested in me visiting your church.

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PRAYER CORNER

- Many people don't realize that Joanna and I are supported like other missionaries and need churches and friends who will partner with us monthly. Please pray with us that God would raise an army of ministry partners who will help hold the rope for us by supporting us financially and through prayer.
- We are also praying about a new travel vehicle. God blessed us last year with a used van for us to drive around town. We need something more reliable though for my travels. Our 2011 Toyota Camry has been an excellent vehicle but it is approaching 250,000 miles.
- Continue to pray for healing for Joanna's hip. She injured it a few years ago. She was recently told by a doctor that she has arthritis and that she is a candidate for having it replaced. That is tough for someone as athletic as she is to hear. She does not want to have surgery, so we are praying for healing.
- Pray for God to grant wisdom as EMU International moves forward in the days ahead. We are praying that the Lord of the Harvest will send laborers into His harvest and we desire to be a part of His plan.
- By God's grace, each of our four children's families is serving the Lord in full-time ministry. Pray that God will bless their ministries and sustain them through the many joys and trials that accompany their calling.