## A Personal Word

From the Coile family

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## Dear friends,

I hope you're thriving in your walk with the Lord! We're doing our best to walk by faith, trusting in God's faithfulness. We praise the Lord for strengthening my Dad to do what God has called Him to do—travel and preach!

Recently, Dad and I took a quick ministry trip to Tampa, Florida, where Dad preached at Calvary Community Church. On Sunday morning, he preached about how God is a Communicator, always revealing Himself to sinful man. In the evening service, Dad updated the congregation about his journey with cancer. After the service, people came up to us and said that they are praying for us. How encouraging!

It was good to see Pastor Jesse Martinez again. Dad met Jesse at Camp Grace before there was a Grace Farm! During camp, Jesse broke his leg. Near the end of the week, Jesse said that God broke his leg so he would give God his undivided attention. Now, years later, Jesse is pastoring a church that shares the gospel clearly. Praise the Lord!

We also got to see Trent Dudley, who is a former camper. When Trent was a little too young to be a camper, Dad let him come. That week, Trent trusted in Jesus Christ. Later, Trent dedicated his life to serve the Lord, a decision that eventually led him to move to Tampa, where he now serves as the youth pastor. Praise God for the work He has done in Trent's life!



We took a selfie with Trent before the evening service!

During our trip, we met Sean and Dana Stockell in Crystal River, Florida for lunch. We have known the Stockells ever since Dad preached at their church in Eureka, Missouri over twenty years ago.

For me, this recent trip reinforced a truth that Dad has been teaching me all my life—ministry is all about people. Three things last forever—God, His Word, and people. Therefore, we should do all we can to invest in people. I delight in the chance to reconnect with so many dear friends, friends I will treasure for the rest of my days. I'm thankful for the opportunities that God gives me to see fellow believers who live far away.

Thank you for your continued prayer and financial support. Please continue to pray for healing for my dad so he can keep doing what he loves—traveling the country and preaching the Word. God bless!

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