

Multiplying Leaders

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Dear Faithful Prayer Supporters,

Thank you so much for your prayers and support as we made the transition to South Carolina! We've been living here for over two months now. Except for just a couple items, our house is finished and we're getting to feel at home here as we get involved in a local church. Denise was able to have an appointment with her new cardiologist and will soon see a new electrophysiologist. We're scheduled with a new primary care physician also, so that has made us feel more settled.

Pray for us as we seek to **get to know our neighbors and share and live Christ before them**. So far, we've not had great opportunities—the cold keeps them buttoned up inside. We have met three families so far—**John & Shannon, Phillip & Michele and Jay & Tina**. This is a new development, so we are all newbies. **Pray for opportunities for us to be salt and light**.

We were able to spend 5 full days with Jonathan and Leah and the kids at the beginning of February. The first day we arrived, we made a list of all the things they wanted to do while we were there. How much fun it was to check off five or six items each day—from making soap to playing soccer to making cinnamon rolls!

In mid-March we were able to spend time with Rich and Jen Culp, Regional Director for EveryEthne and Director of The Centurion Project. We went to the Fort Bragg area and taught *Moving Beyond Lecture* to several



area pastors which they

brought together and then continued coaching them on a wonderful seminar they are building called *Operation Restore Hope*. This seminar is part of a program designed to bring hope to people suffering from PTSD through serving. Their overall desire is to see people trust in Jesus, the Hope Provider. **Pray for Rich's team as they continue to refine the training and put it into practice**. We will be returning to the area to teach again at one of the area churches. In late February and early March, I was able to meet with four church staff and ministries in South Carolina about Good Soil and what we can offer them. All responded very positively, and we

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We've also been working with Randy and Dave and Grow2Serve in developing Good Soil *Discipleship* Online (GSD-O). Our Good Soil *Evangelism* (GSE-O) will be offered for the fourth time starting on March 29th. Consider taking the class! To register for this mostly asynchronous online class on evangelism, go to <https://www.goodsoil.com/training/good-soil-evangelism-online/dates/>. The GSD-O, when completed, will deal with discipleship. Pray for us as we try to get that class ready for its first test run by the end of April.

Also, **pray** for **upcoming events**. Lord willing, Denise and I will be traveling for each of these events (except, of course, for the online test run). Consider taking any one or more of these training opportunities. The direct link is listed below each event.



End of April: Good Soil Discipleship Online (GSD-O) Test Run

This is by invitation only. If interested, please let us know.

May 8-10: Good Soil Evangelism & Discipleship in Harrisburg [Training Event detail | Good Soil](#)

If a senior or lead pastor brings two or more leaders with him, all attend for FREE!

To receive a special code unique offer, go to this link

[Evangelism Coaching For Pastors & Churches | Good Soil](#),

fill in the form at the bottom of the page and use the code for each one that registers.

May 11-12: BibleStorying in Harrisburg [Bible Storytelling & Explanation Training | Good Soil](#)

May 19-20: Good Soil at Crossroads Women's Center in Greenwood, SC

If interested and you live in the area, we can get you information.

Your missionaries,

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