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Karen and Len Pine

Quarterly Prayer Letter, October, 2016

Dear Faithful Friend,

Greetings in the Name of the precious Savior! Karen and I trust that you are doing well, resting in the love of Christ and filled with hope and thanksgiving in spite of all the world's chaos.

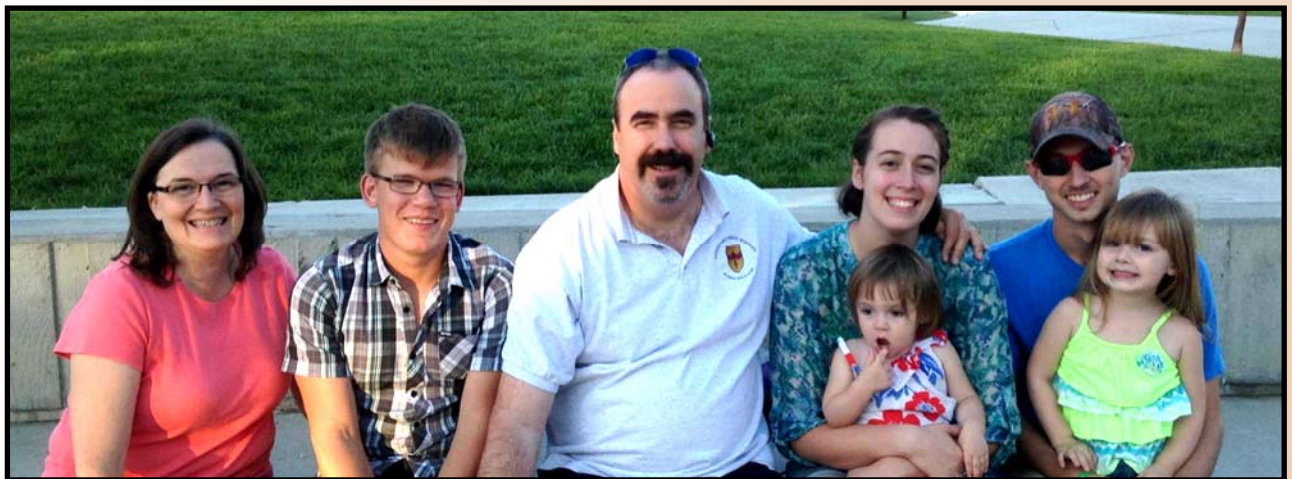
Speaking of chaos, the PMU main computer was at the shop for six business days... Windows 10 and a virus gave it the 1-2 punch, and so Karen was unable to do things at her usual pace in the office. Nevertheless, life has been pretty busy between the two of us.

Since the annual meeting of the PMU Council, we've been working through a list of tasks that have been appointed to us, or preparing to do so in the near future. Karen has been diligently organizing the upcoming furlough of the Leaman family, who has not been home as a family for four years. She has completed all the paperwork that is necessary on our end to obtain the required R-1 visa that will allow Rev. Andy Yong to remain in the US and continue his church planting efforts in Tacoma under PMU. That task was monumental

“Please pray for the PMU Office Staff... for wisdom, discernment, strength, and good health to carry out the work.”

and bewildering, but all has been accepted and now it just remains to wait for approval. Please pray with us to that end, especially since the authorities are seven months behind, and we are hoping for approval by January so that we can begin to support Rev. Yong financially. Along with the regular publishing and correspondence that she does, Karen has been flying low, for sure.

Writing, editing, approving, planning, and corresponding comprise a great deal of my labors these days, though I've been able to do some traveling since August. It has been a quiet year on that front due to my back problems and eventual surgery, my last major trip being to Myanmar and Cambodia back in January. I was grateful to be able to attend Synod in Cincinnati and represent PMU and our church there; and we were able to attend the Fall meeting of the Great Western Presbytery in Olympia the first week of October. A sister con-



Pine summer outing before Eli returned to Bob Jones University to complete his culinary associate's degree.

(L to R: Karen, Eli, Len, Chelsea, Tayleigh, Shane, Rhea)



gregation in the Orthodox Presbyterian Church in Airdrie, Alberta, asked me to come up and fill the pulpit for them early in September, which I was delighted to do. I was particularly happy to be able to travel to Northern California late in September to visit with a pastor and congregation there who are interested in affiliation with the BPC. Joined by Rev. Chris Lensch, we were able to introduce the folks there to the world of Presbyterianism generally and the BPC specifically. The pastor, Rev. Justin Hoke, was able to make it up to Presbytery to meet and be met by the brethren, and the prospects look very good for the relationship to go forward. I also continue to correspond with others who have similar desires around the country.

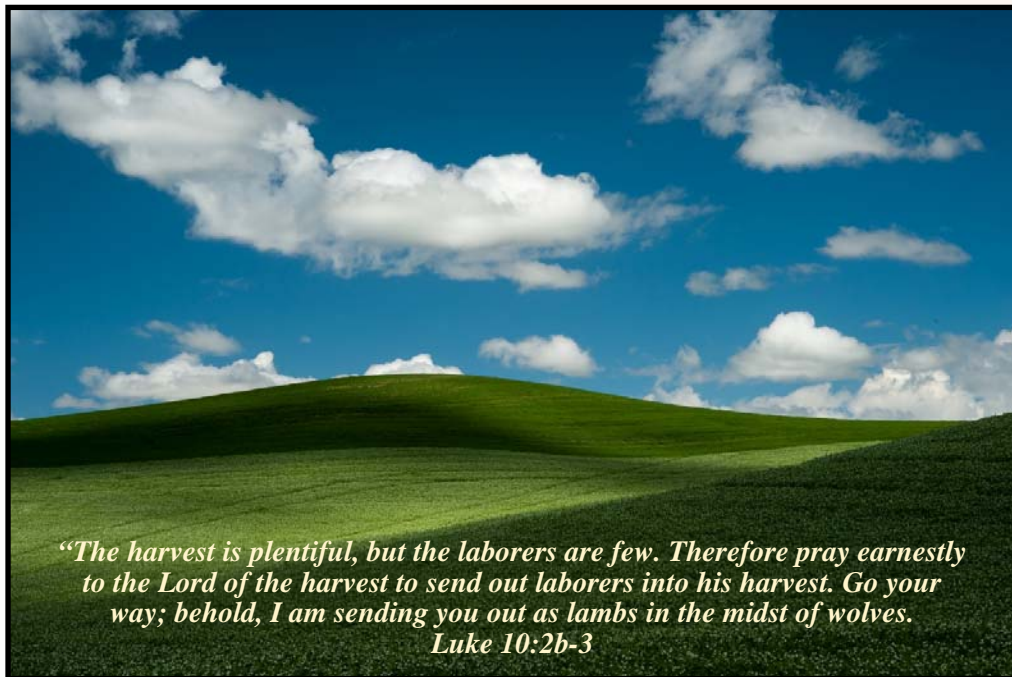
My correspondence is also occupied with brethren in other countries who are looking for either financial assistance or affiliation. Often, those things are intertwined in their minds. Some of them are clearly looking for any means of support from any source, but others appear to be decidedly Reformed and Presbyterian in their convictions, as well as being in need of assistance of one kind or another. In some ways, the hardest part of my role in such situations is having to say, "No, we cannot support you at this time." As is common in many missions agencies, resources and personnel are limited. We know that you and all the other faithful supporters of this work are stretched greatly. But thankfully we know that there is no limit to the ability to pray and present these needs to the Lord. So will you join us in praying especially for brethren in India and Scotland who have contacted us about forming some kind of working relationship in the future?

Finally, many of our friends around the country have been asking about our health. Karen was quite ill for some time, but is now past that and doing well, praise God. It is a great relief to have her back to full health. My back has healed up well after the surgery, and now it is just a matter of rebuilding muscle and stamina lost since January. But I'm making progress, and the horrible pain is gone. Thanks for your prayers for us.

God has been very good to us. We appreciate you and your support of our ministry with PMU, and pray for God's rich blessings upon you. And looking ahead just a little, we wish you a happy Thanksgiving season and a very merry Christmas and New Year!

For the Kingdom,

Len Pine



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"Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all people." Psa. 96:3

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