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Ephesians 3:14-16 *“For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man;”*

It's been an amazing few months in our family and ministry!

We have had 14 enrolled in discipleship and graduated 4 of them so far. We have baptized 3 adults and had 3 accept Christ at church as well. We also had 4 children accept Jesus as Savior at our Good News Club at the local elementary school. A team from our church goes there every Thursday.

Our oldest son Levi was married on January 21st, and we are thrilled to welcome a daughter and sister into the Jones family. Natalia accepted Christ mid-2020 after being deeply involved in the New Age movement. The Holy Spirit did a work in her heart as He led her out of darkness into His marvelous light. With her newly purchased Bible and God guiding her Google searches as she was trying to figure out the new Christian life, she found Crosspoint and started driving from North Hollywood to our church in Pasadena a short time later.

McKenzie had the joy of discipling Natalia and watching her grow into a beautiful light for the Lord Jesus among the single women and teen girls at our church. She even had a major impact on her roommate who is an actress. Levi and Natalia were friends in ministry helping the teens and working in AWANA for about a year and a half before they realized there was more than a friendship growing.

God is good in all of His ways! He brings everything together in His time. In our previous letter, we mentioned financial needs. God has or is currently meeting each and every one of them. Thank you for praying and giving as God led you to do so.

We are still in need of a larger building with a larger sanctuary, but we especially need classrooms to do more children's ministry. We understand this will take a God-sized miracle. Because of the sheer cost, it is an impossible need to meet without God's intervention. So is planting a church in Pasadena, but God did it! We had to pull back on our Sunday morning children's church because of serious space limitations. While this could be discouraging, we are trusting God because we know that He knows best.

We just finished a 21 day fast as a church family. As the Lord leads us, we are continuing to fast and pray about the building need, Christians in our area living holy lives, and the spiritual opposition we face ministering in this area.

God is meeting us powerfully in the little building we are in. Lives are constantly being changed by the Spirit and the Word of God. We give all glory to God, and we are so thankful for those of you who pray and are giving to this important mission field right here in the US. May God's blessings abound to you and your ministries as well!

Your friends,

The Jones family (Phillip, McKenzie, Noah, and Luke)