CREATIVE IMPACT Ministries

ON THE MOVE AGAIN!

God answers prayer: the sale of our house was funded and recorded on May 18. Now we are free to hit the missions trail without needing to make house payments or arrange yard care. We are now living temporarily in the church office.

Transitions All Over The Place!

September 1, 2012 is a huge transition time for us. Not only will Jim no longer be Senior Pastor at Cornerstone, Lynn will transition away from her job.

In case you haven't been able to keep up: For three years, Lynn has worked as an AmeriCorps VISTA in local schools. This past year has been an especially productive one. Her work in family literacy, developing volunteers and community partnerships has produced very positive results. She also coordinated a much needed playground makeover for her school and has won four grants for them, totaling over \$31,000!

Jim says that if she were not married to a pastor/missionary, she would have been rich and famous a long time ago.

He can't wait until she gets to devote all that talent to Creative Impact.

The Big One

The biggest transition of all will be when we say goodbye to our children and grandchildren for extended periods of time.

But we believe all that stuff about heaven; and we believe Jesus' promise about restoration of any loss we experience in this life if we do it for Him (see Mark 10:29,30).

Faith is, however, almost always hard. When everything feels good and comfy and secure, very little faith is required. Our faith will not make saying goodbye to family and friends easy. (We know. We did it back in 1976!) But our testimony to



Lynn & Jim Adams

our grandchildren is more important even than our presence with them.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR PART-NERING WITH US IN PRAYER AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT.

Little by little . . .

We are making progress. With the help of generous monthly and special one-time gifts, we have acquired enough equipment to begin producing some practice videos.

While **not** the kind of video we will eventually produce for missionaries, some of them have proved useful to others.



SOLD! MOVED OUT, MOVING ON



HOME SWEET OFFICE



VIEW FROM THE BACK

Our mission is to serve missionaries.

We are called to produce short films (and supplemental print and lesson materials) to assist missionaries with making and maintaining vital heart connections with their partners back home.

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- The Vote For Sherman! video helped Lynn and the kids win that \$25,000 grant.
- The Sherman@Play Community Build Day video celebrated (and encouraged) the joy of working together to improve the community.
- And even though we had some technical issues, the video for Good Catch Publishing proved to be very helpful to a ministry that Lynn and I strongly support.
- We have to say, however, that in spite of some glaring technical problems and operator missteps, Our Friends, The Prestons is our favorite video for one reason: People tell us that they absolutely fell in love with our friends and that they were very encouraged by their faith.

So, even though the scenes were very simple "head shots," the video *worked*! Many people connected with the Prestons and felt like they knew them – or wanted to know them.

This is just a hint of the kind of "heart connection" we want people to experience with our missions videos.

YOU CAN FIND OUR PRACTICE VIDEOS ON OUR WEBSITE. THE ADDRESS IS LISTED AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE.

"If only they could see this!"

Short term missions trips are transformative for those who get to go.

Upon their return, these believers often become the strongest advocates for missions. They are often the most fervent prayer warriors and the most faithful and generous supporters of the missionaries.

Why?

It is because they *experience* the missions work for themselves.

That's why missionaries often think, "If only everyone back home could see this!"

Realistically, it is not possible for everyone to make a trip to the mission field. But anyone *can* "visit" the missionaries by means of high quality video. They can see the sights and hear the sounds. It is now possible for anyone with an internet connection or a dvd player to experience a "heart level" connection with the missionaries and their stories.

Our calling is to make this happen. We can't wait to get started.

MISSIONARIES INVEST THEIR LIVES TO TELL "THE OLD, OLD STORY." OFTEN, HOWEVER, THEY DON'T HAVE THE TIME NOR RESOURCES TO TELL THEIR OWN STORIES IN A COMPEL-LING WAY. WE WANT TO HELP.

For your consideration:

This letter is not being mailed to a faceless crowd of potential "donors." We are still only reaching out to friends and family.

So we trust that we can be fairly direct when we say,

"You can play a significant part in this ministry."

- No prayer is too short.
- No financial contribution is too small.

We must have our support in place by July 31st so that we can begin to make commitments to missionaries.

We do not think that Jesus wants us to work temporary jobs while we continue trying to launch this mission in our spare time.

Thank you!

GOALS ACCOMPLISHED



1ST CAMERA, LENSES & FILTERS



HD FIELD MONITOR & ELECTRONIC VIEWFINDER

As of May 31, 2012:

Total Income	\$ 7,722.71
Total Outflow	- <u>5,321.98</u> *
Bank Balance	\$ 2,400.73

Pledged Monthly \$ 1,005.00

Additional Monthly
Pledges Needed \$1,995.00
Additional Funding to
Complete Equipment \$9,441.00

Can you support us \$10 per month? Or can you send a special one-time gift of any amount?

Please pray for God's provision by July 31st. Thank you!

*Outflow = Video Equipment & Office Operation