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THE RITCHIE FAMILY

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As I write this letter here in my hotel room, I am overwhelmed with gratitude for your great care and sacrifice for our family, and ultimately for God's goodness and provision. We could not serve the Lord without your encouragement, prayers, and support. Many of you have been with our family from the beginning, and we are so thankful for our partnership.



Things barely slowed down as 2025 rolled in. January to March has been very busy with meetings and preparations for a new year of ministry. A most notable victory for the Mongolian Bible translation team came on January 31st when the final verse of the book of Job was translated! This was the last book of the Old Testament needing translation, and though there will be many months of editing and revision before the Mongolian Bible is ready to print, by God's grace, the team has reached an incredible milestone.



Of the meetings we preached or participated in, our very own BIMI Action Conference for World Evangelization was a highlight. If you have never attended this refreshing time of preaching, fellowship, and workshops I would encourage you to mark your calendar for next year. Many were encouraged and helped regarding missions. Our family got to lead the music and give a report on the pre-field ministries under our care.



God has brought a number of great new missionary candidates to BIMI, and we continue to assist them with the application and screening process. There have been a lot of things to work through, but nearly every file is now complete. BIMI candidate screening involves an application, background check, multiple references, medical testing and self-evaluation, with a host of other things. Once a candidate's file is complete, they are invited for further in-person screening and to meet with the executive board of pastors in June. Upon their approval, new missionaries attend an intensive time of training at Candidate School.



On a personal note, Katherine is now a full-time online college student. Anthony and Sean both preached their first sermon during a teen night last month and a young lady was saved during the service. Emily just turned sixteen! Allison and Jenna are making great strides in their piano lessons and Maddy keeps us all entertained. Mary and I celebrated 21 wonderful years of marriage in February!

We already have scores of students signed up for CAMP BIMI, our first BIMI CONNECT Team just left for Brazil, and we are preparing to help with Enrichment Week. Pray for us as we are traveling during the next six weeks in California, Arizona, Missouri, and Pennsylvania.

In Christ for the Harvest,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "J. Ritchie".

Jason and Mary Ritchie, Katherine, Anthony, Sean, Emily, Allison, Jenna, & Madelyn

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