

Missionaries to the Korean People

And Beyond!

The Lemon Family



The End is in Sight!

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First of all, I would like to thank everybody for your prayers and support during our furlough. We are currently making plans to return to Korea to plant another church. I would have to say the last couple of months have been quite eventful. However, we have seen the Lord's hand in this all.

Based on "our" timeline, we were planning to be in Alaska by July, finish up in August, and try to leave out by September. The Lord had another plan. In our 15 years of ministry, one thing we have seen over and over is that sensitivity to the Lord's Will is key at being efficient in serving Him.

On one leg of our travel we had a travel trailer tire separate at high speed and took out a 4 foot section of our trailer. The insurance company deemed it a total loss and we began the process of clearing our belongings out into a Sunday school room at a church, processing the claim, and then purchasing another travel trailer.

During that process, we got word that my only uncle suddenly passed away. We were not far away so we drove north and I had the opportunity to preach his funeral. A couple of years prior, our son Joseph had the chance to share the gospel with him and he did say that "that was something he could believe."

Most of my family does not go to church, and probably not saved either. It was an incredibly difficult funeral to do, but the Lord blessed in many ways. We then returned to our trailer to finished up the claim... the Lord blessed with **paying off our worn-out travel trailer that had 65,000 miles on it** and allowed for us to be at the funeral as well.

God's Timing

If we were in Alaska, we would currently have a travel trailer that we would be upside down on and then we would have had to buy plane tickets for the family to fly from Alaska to Wisconsin for the funeral. We figured this out and conservatively this saved over \$16,000 dollars. God's timing is always best.

We finalized the insurance on the trailer and purchased a trailer 10 feet shorter. Due to this we were able to downsize our vehicle as well. A week after purchasing a smaller vehicle, I hit a deer and we are back to processing insurance again.

I share this with you as an encouragement because if we look at the difficulty, it is an easy platform for great discouragement. However, looking at it from what God **is doing**, instead of what is **not happening**, has allowed us to see that the Lord has a plan and can provide. With all of this, we have been able to be completely debt free. We are more prepared now to go back to Korea than we would have been if none of this difficulty had happened. We praise God for allowing us to serve Him.

We thank the Lord regularly for all your prayers and support!

Joe Lemon and family

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