

Dear friends,

The year 2017 for us is one to remember. It can be remembered in two areas – ministry and family.

MINISTRY - This was the year of the Nicaraguan *Study Bible Project*. During the past year you should have received four updates about this project. It was, and is, a tremendous success. God blessed this project in so many ways and many of you had a direct part in its success.

To God be the glory!

Here is a summary of this project. All the Bibles, books, and other literature are in Spanish and are in Nicaragua.

579 Study Bibles

100 Moody Handbooks of Theology

600 book covers

500 spiral notebooks

25 books – *Women of Grace*

Several other books and literature.

Approximately 45 groups of men and women who received these Bibles are meeting regularly with a leader as they read the entire Bible in one year.

FAMILY - Bev seems to have recovered from her medical problems that started in Nicaragua. She had just about every medical test you can think of with good results. Hopefully she will continue to feel fine.

Our daughter Linda and husband, Phil, moved to Knoxville, Tennessee. We were able to visit them 3 times to assist in this transition. Our son Eric had to evacuate from Napa Valley, California due to the fires there but is safely back home. The business he manages was not destroyed by the fires. Our son Doug, and his wife, Lisa, spent several months in Roanoke, Virginia where he did a large construction project. We were able to visit them there twice last year and they, and their daughter, Tori, were able to be with us here in Ohio for the Christmas season. I (Larry) taught a four-month class on the Minor Prophets for our ABF at our church. Bev and I spent literally hundreds of hours on the Study Bible Project and feel blessed to be able to have done so.

2018? Stayed tuned.

Once again, we thank you for your prayers and financial support of us and our ministry. We started this journey over 53 years ago and have experienced the undeserved blessing of God over and over again.



By the grace of God,

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