

Dear King Road,

Thank you for praying for us!

Here's an update on what is current and what is ahead...

### **A Humble Learner in the School of Christ**

Christmas was unlike any we have had to date. Becky's father, Herb Klassen, was admitted to the hospital Fri Dec 14th with pneumonia and passed away 2 weeks later on Dec 28. The whole family rallied and much of our time was spent together in the hospital over those two weeks. It was an intimate and peace-filled time. We've lived with Becky's parents for 9 years, so there is lots in the home here that reminds us of Herb. He was such a good example of what it looks like to be a disciple of Jesus. The baton has been passed. We are sad, yes, but also deeply grateful and filled with faith as we look ahead. If you have the time, I invite you to watch the memorial. I think it would inspire & encourage you as well.



### **The Ouellette Crew**

Caleb flew home for the memorial (he is on staff with YWAM in Mexico) so we had the unexpected gift of being all together for 4 days. It was good to be together again. Some current happenings in our family are: Silas and Luke are the last two in high school. Silas continues to play club soccer and is in grade 10. Luke graduates this year and is a hard guy to keep at home - he is either playing basketball or out with friends! Emma volunteers at MCC weekly and Becky continues to enjoy teaching her grade 6 students at MEI.

### **Motivated 4 Mission Summit**

January 11-12, Multiply/MB Mission hosted a Motivated for Mission (M4M) Summit here in Abbotsford for 55+ young adults from the surrounding area. I was part of the prayer team and it was beautiful to watch the Holy Spirit convicting, filling, and calling these leaders into deeper relationship with Him and with one another. People were open, responsive and hungry for God. More of this Lord, in us and in this next generation we pray! I was encouraged to hear stories of how people were following Jesus in their workplace, at UFV, on the streets of Abbotsford, in remote indigenous communities on Vancouver Island, and overseas. The hope is to continue to host these M4M Summits to connect people together, to encourage, and to motivate & equip.



### **FOCUS Apprenticeship Cohort 2018**

Here's a picture our newest long term workers (and a few staff): The Sudermans from Ontario, The Schroeders from Saskatchewan, The Dumitrascus from Abbotsford and the Schmidts from Kansas/Oklahoma. 4 families who will be in Germany, Thailand, T\*key and Niger respectively. The bulk of my time is spent helping to coordinate the training for these folks and others who are in their first term. The bulk of this past fall I was with them nearly every day - it can be intense because of the topics we cover. I am glad for the change of pace now (monthly online modules, but I do miss the community and learning together. Hard to say goodbye...

## Looking ahead...

Yes, two MB organizations: C2C Network and MB Mission are now officially known as **Multiply**. A biblical word/concept that runs from Genesis to Revelation and expresses God's intention for his people. More details on this are in the Winter edition of the Witness magazine that we just mailed out. This is front and centre for us right now as we continue to discern what God is asking us to do and how to best structure things to align well with what He seems to be doing around the world.

February 4-7 I will be travelling to Winnipeg to lead a few days of debrief on the topic of "Clarifying Your Calling" for 11 or so people who just finished 10 month TREK assignments in local churches & ministries. This is one of my favourite things to lead. I love giving people space to listen to God and to discern what he has been doing in their lives so far. Pray that these 11 people come away from this time refreshed in the Spirit and having clarity about what God is leading them toward next.

February 8th I will be leading a training session on Spiritual Warfare here in Abbotsford for the staff team leaders of MEI's spring break mission teams.

March 17-24 Becky and I are taking some vacation time to travel to Mazatlan, Mexico to visit Caleb and to be a part of the place & ministry that God has called him to for the past 2 1/2 years! (The fact that he is seriously dating a Columbian girl is also quite motivating). The plan is to stay at the YWAM base and join whatever things they have going on while we are there. I have been sensing that we need to bring Emma, Luke & Silas as well - so we are now planning on bring them with us too. Lord, we are open to whatever you have for us.



March 24-28 I will be in Denver, CO at the International Congress on Language Learning with a co-worker. This is all about language learning and cultural adaptation. As an organization, we want to get better at helping our cross-cultural workers persevere in the language learning & adaptation process. What are the questions that we should be asking as we prepare for this?

There is a lot to look forward to!

Thank you that you pray for us. We sure appreciate that.

**Please pray particularly pray for our kids. We see how the enemy continually strikes at their identity and works to distract & discredit God in their lives.**

- may they grow tremendously in their understanding of God's great love for them and their understanding of who they are**
- may their TRUST in God become unshakable**

God is able.

Greg