

John & Emily Combest

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your missionaries to the



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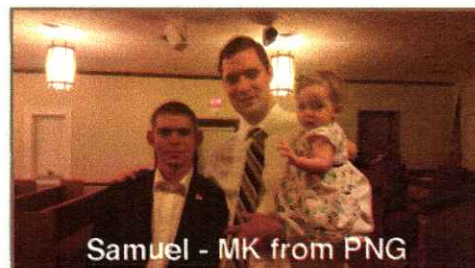
Dear family and friends,

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"I have but one candle of life to burn, and I would rather burn it out in a land filled with darkness than in a land flooded with light." - [John Keith Falconer](#)

Keith-Falconer was a mid-18th century missionary in Yemen. Though his pioneering work was quite substantial, he was and still is little known even amongst his own Scottish people. Of all his statements, the one above has been remembered the most. If we were to truly see this world as God does, I wonder how many of us would be compelled to leave our place of comfort and ease to give our lives to serve? I do not think it is a question as to where the darkness lies. It is no secret that while portions of this world bathe in knowledge of Scripture and Christ, vast portions of this globe starve spiritually for want of it. Yes God, may you allow this one little insignificant light to burn brightly for you in one of the darkest areas of the world.

April has been a time of refreshing and blessing to our family as we have pounded Ohio, Indiana, and Kentucky. Along with presenting our burden and people multiple times, the Lord allowed us to be a part of several Seedline ministries, collating and stapling multitudes of thousands of Scripture portions to be shipped around the world. It felt wonderful to be allowed to serve alongside the different folks, fellowshiping and working together. We were able to take part in 3 different mission's conferences also this month. What a blessing it always is to us to fellowship with other missionaries, both veteran and new! Along with that, we get to enjoy several days of preaching and testimony that never ceases to work on my heart.



Samuel - MK from PNG

Currently, we are in Berne, Indiana with our home church. We will be basing out of here for the next week with a meeting in southern Ohio the last Sunday of April. May 6th, I drop Emily and Lydia off in Ohio before driving down to North Carolina for two weeks of bush medical training. Originally, I was hoping that Emily and I could attend together, but no children are allowed and Lydia still needs her momma! After school, I pick Emily up from Ohio and head back to Indiana for my youngest brother's graduation and my parent's 45th wedding celebration. We will end the month with a meeting in southern Indiana and a Worldview translation conference in Nashville, Indiana. **Please continue with us in prayer.**



4 Generations

Seeing Emily's family off to Armenia

Praise the Lord, our support rose to 60% this past month! Again, we are praying that all support will be completed by November so that we can focus on packing and preparing to head overseas around the New Year. We have registered for language school and are just waiting for the acceptance papers in order to apply for visas and such. School begins January 8th.

... to preach the gospel, not where Christ was named... Rom. 15:20

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