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WHERE IN THE IS MARK?

I (Mark) am looking at a travel-heavy schedule this year as the world really gets back into gear post-COVID. This newsletter will be a little outside of our normal letters as we update you on our schedule and plans, and we have some family updates on the next page! We would love your prayers throughout 2023 for good health, safe travels and for all of our children as many of them are seeking God's will on multiple things, such as job opportunities, future spouses and further education.

RECENT



FLORIDA — I (Mark) traveled to Florida at the end of January to meet with fellow members of DOOR International's Directors Team. This was the first time we had been able to meet in-person since before the COVID pandemic began! It was a great time of fellowship and prayer as we planned for the future of DOOR. Rob Myers, the president/CEO, led us through a lot of specific training that will enable us to better support DOOR as it continues to grow.



ARIZONA — Lyndalou and I flew to Arizona near the end of February to be guest speakers at a volunteer appreciation dinner for one of DOOR's valued partners, Injoy Thrift Stores. A large percentage of their sales go to support DOOR projects, and it was a joy to catch up with DOOR's former president and wife, Mike and Linda Buus.



KENYA — I recently traveled to Kenya for DOOR's annual International Ministry Council (IMC) meeting. The last time I was in Kenya was March 2020. **Three days after I flew back home, the entire country went into lockdown!** This was also the first time we were able to have IMC meetings in-person post-COVID.



UPCOMING



ALABAMA — I will be making a brief trip to be a guest speaker at a gala hosted by a partner to celebrate their fifteenth anniversary. This specific partner has been instrumental in supporting our 2-by-2 teams and some of our translation projects.



**CYPRUS/*ISARET/
GREECE** — This will be a massive, month-long

trip in April. Wycliffe is hosting a major three-day meeting for sign language translations in Cyprus. Pray for clear communication between all the different sign languages present. Afterwards, I will head directly to *Isaret to begin the process of setting up a new translation project there. This is a key gateway country to the Middle East, and we are very excited to see what God will do there. Once that wraps up, I will be in Greece for the annual Forum of Bible Agencies International (FOBAI) meeting.



FAMILY Updates

LYNDALOU continues to work for Deaf Harbor, creating and signing original ASL music videos for Deaf churches to use in their worship. Her team is starting to work on translating some hymns as well, so we look forward to seeing how God will use those translations!

MARISA celebrated her five-year work anniversary at her job at DOOR International in the beginning of March. She can hardly believe she's been working there that long! She continues to love her job.

KRYSTA loves being a mom to our two wonderful grandchildren, Timothy and Sienna, and does some graphic design work on the side while supporting her husband, Bobby, in his work.

TYLER is finalizing all the videos he has edited during his two-year project with the Translation Resources Development team. The videos are more than 30 hours long in all! After this project, he has some exciting opportunities to travel and work in various ministry capacities.

NATHAN is planning for an upcoming mission trip to Uganda, and has been volunteering with Deaf Teen Quest (an US ministry focused on ministering to Deaf teens). He is back to job hunting after his recent seasonal job ended. We would appreciate your prayers as he seeks what God has for his future!

HANNAH is in her last semester at North Central University, and will be graduating this May with a bachelor's degree in creative writing. She will be taking two additional summer classes, then hopefully will find a job in her chosen field this fall.

STEPHEN and **DAVID** are very involved in the local Deaf Teen Quest Bible studies, and have been great role models to other Deaf teens. Both of them are doing well in their respective studies, and they are starting to think about the future in terms of further education and potential careers.



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