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A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from our family to yours! May you remember the reason for the season and rejoice in the greatest gift ever given to the world: Jesus Christ.



THE FAROE ISLANDS

I (Mark) traveled to the Faroe Islands for the European Deaf Christian Bible Translators Conference from October 30-November 4. The Faroe Islands are located between Iceland and Norway, in the North Atlantic Ocean. This country has more sheep than people!

This was the third bi-annual conference of its kind. The next one is in 2025 in Romania. **Many different European countries were there to share tools and resources with each other to help with their Bible translation work.** I was able to share about DOOR's work, and multiple countries expressed an interest in beginning their own Chronological Bible Translation (CBT) projects in their sign languages. **Please join us in prayer that God would make a way for these countries to start their own translations.**

It was a privilege for me to meet with many DOOR graduates from DOOR Europe who are still continuing to work in Deaf ministry. It is always a joy to see so many faithful servants gathered together in one place with a single mission in mind: to see every Deaf person have access to God's Word in their heart language.

In this season of giving, we want to express our thanks for each one of you who have come alongside us in this ministry over the years. **We truly couldn't do this without the faithful partners and prayer warriors urging us on, and we thank God for you often.**



FAMILY News

“And now, dear brothers and sisters, we want you to know what will happen to the believers who have died so you will not grieve like people who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and was raised to life again, we also believe that when Jesus returns, God will bring back with him the believers who have died.”

1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

Mark's mom, Loanne, was diagnosed with cancer at the end of September, and she went home to heaven on Mark's birthday, October 31st. It was quick, but each member of the family was able to see her and say their goodbyes. **To the very end, Loanne kept a smile on her face and talked confidently about her faith in Jesus.**

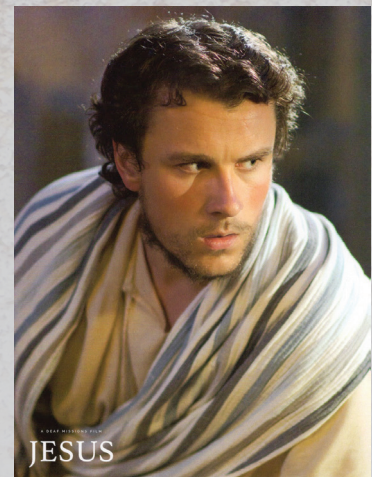
One special moment is that, two days before her passing, she FaceTimed with Mark and signed an early “happy birthday” to him before he left for the Faroe Islands.

While it is difficult knowing she won't be with us to make more memories, we are immensely grateful for all of the memories we've made with her, and we know we will meet her again in heaven someday. She was a wonderful mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. **We are thankful for all the support and condolences we have received through this time. What a blessing it is to be part of a community like this!**



The Jesus Film in ASL

Our oldest son, Tyler, has been involved in Deaf Missions' production of the “Jesus Film” in American Sign Language (ASL). This full-length feature film will premiere in April 2024, with plans to eventually make its way to streaming services.



Tyler plays the disciple John in the film, and had the privilege of witnessing another member of the cast become saved through the production. **He had a great experience, and we are praying that this film will reach many more souls for Christ.**

If you want to check out the trailer (and try to spot Tyler!), here is the [link](#).



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