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PRAISE & PRAYER

- Praise God for the book of Jonah and several other Bible passages in American Sign Language (ASL), which have been released earlier this year! Please pray for God to work in people's hearts as they watch these recently released passages.
- Speaking of "recent releases," Deaf Missions, a partner organization, recently released "Jesus: A Deaf Mission Film", which is a movie about Jesus' life done by the Deaf, all in ASL. Please pray for the movie's impact on the Deaf community for God's Kingdom. For more information, go to: <https://www.jesusdeaffilm.com/>

RESOURCES FOR THE DEAF

For many of you, biblical topics such as baptism and the Lord's Supper are concepts that you are familiar with. **However, if you wanted to know more about a particular topic, it is relatively simple to find plenty of books exploring it on the internet and then click on "order".** Two days later, ta-da! The book(s) is in your hands, ready to be read.

With the average reading level among Deaf people groups in the world hovering around third grade, reading a book in any written language is challenging enough, let alone comprehending the context. Moreover, with sign language Bible translation projects being launched and Deaf churches being planted, Deaf Christian leaders are asking questions such as: "I am seeing different churches conduct baptisms differently. Some churches are baptizing infants by sprinkling while others are baptizing adults by full immersion in water. How am I supposed to know what to do?" **There is a need for providing resources to equip Deaf church leaders to make decisions on how to lead God's sheep.**

Recently in May, I (Bobby) went to Kenya and worked with DOOR's church resource development team.

This is a team of Deaf people from several different countries who are working together to

develop some of the first-ever resources in video format to support Deaf church leaders. This is groundbreaking work as we are attempting to take a wealth of information on different topics, and present them in a way that both presents what the Bible says and different views that churches may have. **By doing this, we are providing Deaf church leaders with an opportunity to see the different views, allowing them to make an educated decision.** Moreover, they will be able to defend their position with the information they finally have access to.



As we gathered to discuss how to develop these resources and present the differing church views on various topics, I quickly realized this was no easy task! **This needed to be a group effort—not a one-man task—requiring different gifts and life experiences that God has given to each person.** Each person brings what they have to the table, and they make it better than how it would have turned out if done individually. **This reminds my wife and me of all of you as you continue to support us in advancing the Kingdom of God in the Deaf community. Thank you for all of your prayers and support!**

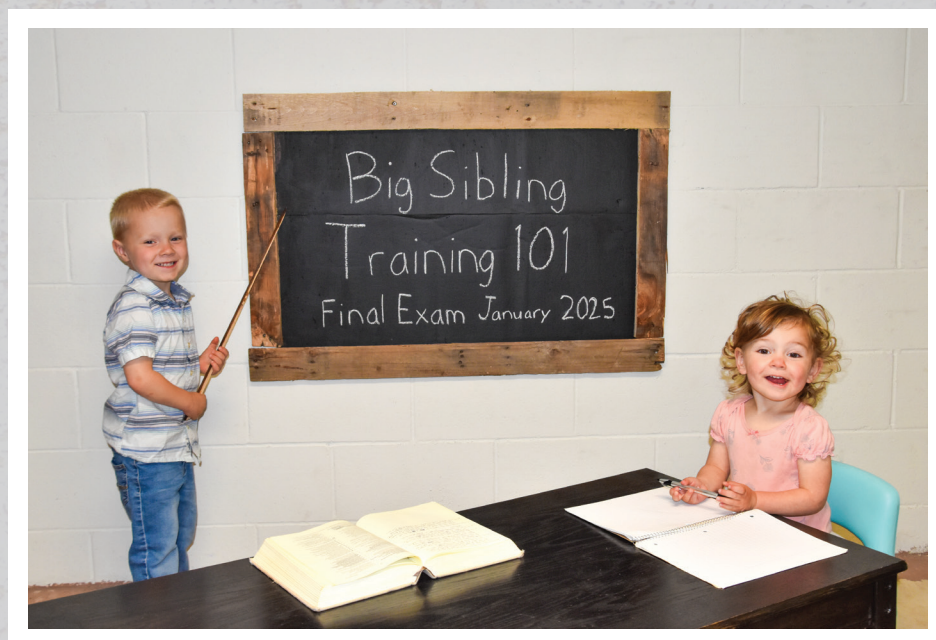
Sometime during the summer, the church resource development team will be releasing two biblical topics for Deaf church leaders to use in their communities. **Please pray for the team as they finalize the resources and for the church leaders' hearts as they receive these materials as an encouragement.** Pray that Deaf churches would be strengthened through access to these resources. Once again, you are a key part of this work in the Kingdom of God, and we thank you!



A SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FROM TIMOTHY AND SIENNA



Timothy and Sienna (and their parents!) are proud to announce they have a younger sibling coming in January. Please pray for Krysta and the baby as God knits together this new life. We are trusting God to provide a bigger vehicle to fit our growing family.



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