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We are very excited to be leading our home Eliot Baptist Church in September to serve one our supported Missionaries in **Tanzania**. We will be doing light construction as well as conducting VBS. This is our venture into Tanzania. Please pray for the myriad of logistical details, as well as the safety and effectiveness of our team and outreach. We may also be speaking with the Pastor about the possibility of joining the Missions Door team.

Ruth & I will be serving Pastor Nelson Juarez in **El Salvador** in October, primarily distributing food and supplies throughout the country to the many Pastors and churches he oversees. Contributions for food and supplies this can be made to our account #61183M.

We also have a commitment from Christian Family Fellowship in CO, for a youth group mission team to go and serve with the Almendarez family in **Honduras**. This will be in July '26, and we will be working with Victor, Rebeca, Isaac, and their families doing mountain excursions to take food and supplies to families, activities with sponsored children, and hospital outreach.

Two churches in NH and ME are considering mission trips for next year. Would you please pray that we all hear and obey His leading, and that others hear His calling to serve in this way?

The Lord has also given us a great opportunity to network and make potentially very meaningful connections with the Venture Church Network. Rick will be presenting a break-out session at their upcoming Fall Conference in October. This will be an opportunity to speak directly with dozens of Pastors about the many blessings and benefits of involving their churches with Short-Term Mission Trips. Please pray for many fruits of the Conference. More info and be found at <https://venturenortheast.org>.

We would love to come to your church to give updates and/or introduce ourselves and our ministry, including upcoming mission trip opportunities. Please contact us if you're interested.

I have a favor to ask. For those of you who have been on mission trips with us, would you mind writing a short, one paragraph testimony of encouragement to those who might be hesitant or unsure about taking that step? What prompted you to go on a mission trip? What were your experiences? What were your greatest one or two takeaways? We would use these testimonies in future newsletters as encouragement for folks to take that step of faith. If you'd be willing to do so, simply reply to this email. Thanks in advance.

Thank you for your love, prayers and support.

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