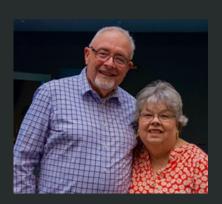
Update from the Bonham's

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Dear Ministry Partners and Friends,

What does semi-retirement look like? Maybe not exactly what you think! We still see a lot to do while our minds are still connected to our hearts.

Shepherd's Heart has a new address!



Our new location is conveniently located just off US-131 about five minutes from our house. It is a major Kalamazoo throughfare, easy to reach from anywhere in the city. This is shared space with other organizations and small businesses. We share a common receptionist and have several conference rooms available to us close to our office. Our director, Bert Lumetta, covers the office full time. In my new role as Marriage Ministry Coordinator, I split time between this office and my home office.

I continue to meet with men and couples that I have a long- term relationship with, while Bert covers new clients. At home I meet with ministry partners on Zoom and work on new training material for our Loving Well Marriage course, as well as planning training sessions for leaders of Growth Groups at our local church where I serve as an elder



Wally and Karen DeSmet are our Ministry Associates in Phoenix, AZ. They are coaching couples with us in multiple South American countries. We are so glad for their Spanish language skills and connections!



Sandor has been a partner in ministry with us for over 25 years. He directs the Salt and Light Foundation that we jointly founded. and group coordinator. In addition, I serve at Park Village Pines, an assisted living facility, providing a Sunday worship service for residents once every other month. It keeps me studying the Word and I really enjoy teaching.



Every two weeks I meet with Carlos Barros on Zoom (bottom right). Carlos and his wife, Chelita, are our Ministry Associates in Tucuman, Argentina. They lead both in- person and online Loving Well groups with couples like the ones above. Chelita is a therapist and both were formally with CRU in their family life ministry. They always have people lining up to be in their groups and have helped church and missionary organizations with staff preparing to serve others.

I also connect with Sandor Bodo in Hungary. He has completed a rough translation of Loving Well that is now in the process of being edited. Our hope is to make good progress on this by the end of the year and then plan a training in Hungary in 2023. Pray with us that we will be able to travel and that the world situation will be stable enough for us to make the trip. Refugees from Ukraine have come to Hungary to escape the war. Everyone is praying that the war would be resolved and not spread into central Europe.

Pray also that we could train participants who will be able to use Loving Well in their ministry to help disciple couples and families.

Finally, we enjoy being grandparents to our seven grandchildren. We are all within 25 miles of one another. This is a picture of Matt and four of his kids backstage after all appeared in Newsies Jr. at their school. They are a hard act to follow!

Gratefully in Christ, Mark and Mary

