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More than we can remember.

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Unfortunately, we begin our update with some sad news. A few days before graduation, our brother-in-law Tom (Todd's sister's husband) passed away after a courageous battle with cancer. We were able to make a quick trip to Michigan for his visitation and funeral. We appreciate your prayers for Todd's sister, Lori, and her family as they enter a very trying time of life.

Todd's teaching was concentrated in the last two months of the semester. This made for a busy and somewhat stressful end of semester. We felt pretty tired by the last couple of weeks of school. But we're happy and encouraged to say that we ended well with our student small groups and with the couple we were doing pre-marital counseling with. We can truly say we enjoyed every minute of those relationships, and we were not ready for those to end.

On May 20, EBI graduated the largest class we've had since we can remember. It was a joyful celebration. 110 students graduated and we are excited to see how the Lord will lead them into ministry. At our final staff meeting of the semester, it was encouraging to be reminded of the importance our



training plays in the Great Commission. We would like to share this <u>short video</u> that encouraged us, and we hope it encourages you.



As we look at these graduates, we see future missionaries that will venture out to unreached peoples with the Good News of Jesus Christ. We also remember the important part each of you play in our ministry because of your support in prayer or finances. Pray for the ministry at EBI as we already look forward to new students this Fall.

We have already been to Tennessee and back to visit the Sharp family and to help while they remodel their kitchen. We also celebrated Silas' first birthday! Todd rediscovered some old muscles as he worked helping to gut the kitchen. It was a good time with them.

Now we have several weeks back in the office catching up on all our summer duties. We both have administrative responsibilities which are numerous and complicated to describe, but here's a sampling: Todd needs to make sure every position at EBI has an accurate job description. He is currently working on next year's budget, and the audit is being done for 2022.

Sue is collecting parking tags and organizing parking for the Fall. She is also working through a pretty-extensive screening process for next year's interns and employees, which includes reviewing applications, references and ordering background checks. These things are really not so exciting to list, but all very important functions of running a school.



Every department at EBI has been working hard to assemble tons of documents and information for the accreditation of the school. This application should be submitted soon, which is a huge step! Being accredited will help students transfer credits to other universities, it will aid in getting

more international students, and it will make EBI more attractive to students looking for an accredited school.

Keep praying for the sale of the Jackson property. We have a showing scheduled for June 15!

We hope each of you reading this have a peaceful and restful summer. We aim to do that as well.

Love and prayers,

Todd and Sue









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