



**Christmas 2018 - One year Anniversary**

**Greeting,**

A truly great adventure is what God has invited all his people to take part in — reaching all ethnic groups, teaching others what we have been given. We thank God for our first year here; we are still learning many things including how to stay connected to our many partners (there are over 100 of you!) Thank you for your emails, texts, calls, and messages as they are so encouraging.

In this past year, JAARS has been part of **42 Scripture translations**, representing over **15 million people**. Our family has been blessed to be a part making this possible as we seek to contribute to making disciples of Jesus in all places, lifting our voices to praise God.



- Attended a month-and-a-half cross-cultural course, better equipping us all to serve and connect in this global environment.
- Helped with JAARS CrossVenture, helping youth from across the USA understand God's plan for the nations.
- Hosted a college student from Indonesia for six weeks this summer in our home so she could serve with JAARS Aviation.
- Connected with the technology missions community beyond JAARS with partners in Orlando, Dallas, Africa, and Asia. (Kirk)
- Helped launch a new 15-week Perspectives course in the Lake Norman area with biblical, cultural, strategic, and historical perspectives on the Great Commission. (Kirk)
- Served with JAARS Health Services:

- Immunizations, physicals, and urgent care for missionary families serving here at JAARS. (Beth)
- Directing the Technology and Business Solutions department for JAARS. (Kirk)
- Served missionary families for ten days in Southeast Asia, caring for 3-6-year-olds. (Beth/Alyssa)
- Launched a weekly church life group meeting in our home to learn and grow in our faith and service together.
- Served on the Audio/Visual team for the weekly JAARS Center Meeting. (Kirk)

There is much which goes into making Bible translations successful and we are thankful for how God has provided for us to be able to do our part. We are also extremely grateful for your **prayers and partnerships which allow us to serve.**

On a personal note, we are all getting connected to the JAARS community. Alyssa is doing great as a homeschooled high school student and still enjoying her dance lessons. We are thankful for technology which helps us stay in contact with our kids reaching from Nevada to Vermont. Sarah has started a graduate certificate program for ski resort management; Brenden is enjoying working at Tesla, and Vanda continues to grow in how to use her gift of art. We are blessed and thankful for all God is doing.

**We are needing \$527/month due to families having to change their giving. Pray for 100%.**