

We have recently been reminded that life is a gift --- it is SHORT and we are just a breath away from eternity. This sounds a little morbid, maybe, but actually it's hugely motivating and encouraging! A Godly life --- openly and transparently lived for the glory of God is an *amazing legacy*, to those left behind --- or is it an *amazing heritage*? I've been thinking about these two words and it is especially pertinent as Paul is giving the history of NTM to our new students here at the MTC (missionary training center) this week. He cannot talk about the level of commitment and sacrifice that our founders demonstrated without getting emotional! What a Godly legacy they have left us! He absolutely loves sharing this amazing story to these young students as he sees that same commitment and "fire" reflected from the faces of this unusually alert and attentive group of young people!!! These are our future missionaries ---- these are the ones who are going to travel across challenging borders and who are going to work in cross-cultural situations. The ones who will take huge steps of faith among very spiritually dark people groups. And we have the wonderful privilege of being a part of their preparation and training! What a JOY!

Going over the NTM history is kind of like going over our own history since both of our parents came into NTM when we were babies and NTM was a new mission agency. We realize again the *amazing heritage* we have. Paul asked me to give a brief "bio" and it was fun to see their reaction when I told them that the first picture that Paul and I are in together I was six months old and he was a year-and-a-half! We are, once again, made acutely aware, all over again, of the wonderful heritage we have --- The Godly legacy that was handed down to us and to our children. In fact --- our grandson, Sean and his wife Jennifer (with our first great grandbaby girl), are part of this new class. Again! What a JOY! And we esteem you as a part of our "heritage" --- certainly as a part of our (you inclusive) awesome responsibility of training this new generation of future missionaries! Thank you for being our co-workers! Thank you for being a vital part of the ministry God has blessed us with! Thank you for your faithful financial support!!! We covet your prayers as we move into this new semester! Pray that God will strengthen and enable us to multiply our lives in these young lives and that we will be sensitive and responsive to the needs of our fellow staff. We also covet your prayers concerning the increase of "head discomfort" I'm having again. I may have to consider a visit with the pain management clinic.

We totally enjoyed our five week trip out West and back this summer and are so thankful that we were able to do it. It was wonderful to connect again with many, many friends and relatives! (More details about our trip on my, Faith's, FB page) We are SO blessed and thankful!!!

God Bless and Encourage your hearts today!

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