



**REACH UP  
REACH OUT**



January 21, 2022

Dear Allen,

It was so great to spend time and see you and Dianne this past week. You really are a HUGE encouragement to me on so many levels on how you have approached everything. I respect you big time and think of your example as I raise my family. You have such a deep devotion to family and make sure everyone in your family is taken care of. I always remember the story of how you taught Brian and Scott to get up early and serve others with a paper route with the Washington Post years ago. That is a lifelong lesson that still has been so engrained that you all are doing a great job with the Haney Company (By the way, I love the logo!). It shows so much about you all that you started something in the midst of a global pandemic and are still working well together and adapting.

I love how you care for your wife. Every since I have met you, you have referred to her affectionately as “The Boss.” It cracked me up because Dianne was always smiling and so kind, not the “bossy” type but I know she kept you going and so it is the perfect title. I have also seen how you have adapted with such grace and kindness as Dianne has struggled with her health. I think back to years ago when you showed me the piece of property that you and Dianne bought in New Mexico to watch the sunsets. I know it hasn’t worked out yet but I know that God will bring all things to good to those who love Him (Romans 8:28). I trust in heaven you get to experience that sunset in a way that will be worth all the wait. “This is why the Scriptures say: Things never discovered or heard of before, things beyond our ability to imagine— these are the many things God has in store for all his lovers” (1 Corinthians 2:9).

I will plan to come visit again soon and thank you so much for your hospitality that you have always shown. Thank you for opening up your home and your life to me. As a missionary, I am blown away by the love you have shown to my family over the years. It is priceless and a great reminder of God’s faithfulness.

As I mentioned on the phone, I had a few needs that came up suddenly and I want to ask if you might consider making a special gift to help alleviate some of the costs. I am extremely grateful to share my needs with you and humbled by how God moves generously on the hearts of others. So here are some areas listed below that make a huge difference for our ministry outreach:

1. Our truck which hauls equipment for Outreach had to get front axle work and new tires and it amounted to \$4,800.
2. Our mini-van which hauls students had to replace power steering and AC pump. \$1,800

Mandy and I do everything we possibly can to keep things in budget but sometimes things like this happen and I am grateful to have ministry partners like you how can understand our situation. I look forward to more conversations soon and will reach out soon to see how you are doing. Mandy and I are praying for you, Dianne, Brian, Scott, the rest of the family, and the business.

*You are a champion !!*

All the best,

*Dave*





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Dear Kim,

It was great to catch up the other day and hear about your world. I have really enjoyed spending time with TJ and trust that God is going to keep opening doors for him in great ways. He is a humble young man who is a great athlete. I wish I had his legs for a few hours lol. He jumps so effortlessly and I love seeing him on the court. It is a great answer to many prayers that he has this opportunity to play at Morehouse. I plan to visit him in the next couple month and see more about the program. I have a tournament in April with our outreach team in downtown Atlanta and it should work out beautifully.

I am deeply grateful for your family and how much kindness you have shown our family over the years. You and Tillman have gone out of your way for us and we are so grateful for your friendship. It all started for us way back in Tijuana on the Ten Days Mission Trip. I am forever grateful to have served others and connected with you. Thankfully, we are still reaching out together and finding new ways to share the gospel of Jesus Christ to others. There is no way I could reach out as effectively without your partnership. It keeps us going even through all the challenges that surround us.

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All the best,

*Praying for the Paynes !!*

*Dave*



Dear David,

I am flying to Hawaii now and sorry for not sending a letter the last week. Things got a bit busy. My Uncle Bud passed away on Monday morning. I decided to go up and see my Aunt and cousins the next day to honor him. I flew up to Maryland on Tuesday and came back on Wednesday and then prepared for the next trip to Honolulu. Life is full of twists and turns. We just got to keep praying and trusting through all of it. My emotions have been all over the map as you can imagine. It was great to come home and hear that you are still doing well. Two weeks from today and we will see you. That is great to imagine.

Small world story. I get on the Southwest flight and a young guy sits next to me. I ask where he is from and he says San Diego. I mentioned that we hope to visit San Diego in the future to visit you. I mentioned you would be stationed there in the Navy.

He asked, "Where, on the north side?"

I said, "Not sure, it's Coronado."

Then he said, "That is where I am stationed. Is your son going to BUDs?"

I said, "Yes, are you a SEAL?"

He said, "Yes, for 12 years."

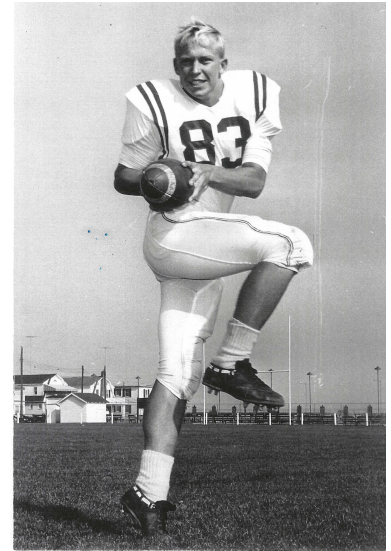
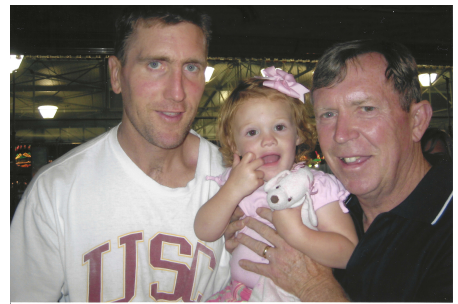
"Have you ever met a guy named Micah Waterman?"

"Yes, he was in my BUDs class and on my boat crew."

Of course, I was blown away and laughed to myself at how God puts people together. He is passed out asleep next to me and told me that boot camp was the worst experience he had in the Navy so far. He couldn't stand it. I asked him the most challenging part of BUDs for him and he said when he got shin splints over Hell Week. It lasted until for over two months. Eventually he was able to heal up during second phase. He mentioned that he struggled second phase with the underwater training where they rip your mask off. He didn't follow all the instructions perfectly and they failed him. Eventually, he passed but said he wished he stayed a bit more humble because he thought he was going to crush that evolution and he was surprised at how strict they were on him following every little direction. I will get his number and try to connect down the road.

I am not sure you will get any more letters from me before you graduate. Hopefully, you will read this a few days before graduation. You are almost there and finish strong and don't take anything for granted. Like this SEAL next to me, he wished he stayed a bit more humble on some of the trainings.

Please know how proud we are of you and everyone is extremely excited to see you.



Dad