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# HAPPY THANKSGIVING

*from the Hollidays*



**DOUG & JENNIFER**  
SERVING CHRIST TOGETHER



*"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now."*      *Philippians 1:3-4*

## Grateful for...

### Global Impact



#### SOYM HAITI

Our School Of Youth Ministry in Haiti has entered its 10th year. With the 17 young leaders in the program this year, we have now trained 135 over the past 10 years. They are serving as youth pastors, church planters, evangelists, teachers, orphanage workers... they are helping transform their nation, one life at a time.

#### ORPHANAGE

Open Door's orphanage in Haiti welcomed its first 25 children in December 2011. We now care for 50 precious children at the orphanage, giving them a hope and a future. It's always the highlight of every mission team to spend time playing with these beautiful little ones!

#### GIRLS ON MISSION

This past Summer, **Marisa** had the opportunity to lead a mission trip to Southeast Asia where her college, Palm Beach Atlantic, worked together with Operation Mobilization. **Analise** and **Maggie** returned to Haiti for the first time since we brought them home in 2014. They had the opportunity to stay for five weeks, serving with four mission teams that came to help at Open Door Haiti.

#### HEART FOR AFRICA

God has given us the opportunity to come alongside our friends in Africa (Brad & Camie Matlack, Pastor Hammre Kayando, J-Life Ministries) to provide support and encouragement. Through J-Life, we're investing in disciple-making leaders across East Africa. With the Matlacks, we're helping provide jobs for women living in the slums. Hammre's ministry plants churches and cares for the sick at their rural medical clinic.



## AN AMAZING TWENTYFIVE YEARS

**W**e cannot say thank you enough for your investment in our ministry and our family.

God has used you, our ministry partners and friends, to continually pour out His blessing on our lives. This Thanksgiving, we are both humbled and grateful for all that our loving Heavenly Father has done for us. He is so faithful!

August 14th marked our 25th Anniversary. When we met in the Fall of 1990, I was just a young youth pastor and Jennifer was still in college studying Dental Hygiene. We had no idea the journey God would lead us on together. After spending the first seven years of our marriage in New Jersey, we've now lived in the Sunshine State for the last eighteen.

In 2000, Jennifer signed me up for Billy Graham's Evangelism Conference in Amsterdam, believing

that God wanted me there. We had no idea then how that one conference would change the trajectory of our lives. It was there that I met Pastor's Mickey Okeyo and Hammre Kayando from Kenya and Pastor Wiljean Compere from Haiti.

God used those 10 days in Amsterdam in August of 2000 to birth within us a heart for the globe, and He has gone beyond what we could ever have asked or imagined. Living in Kenya? Traveling, preaching & training across the African continent? Planting churches? Opening a training center... and an orphanage... and a medical center... and schools and feeding programs in Haiti? Adopting from Kenya and Haiti? God continues to amaze!



## ISRAEL STUDY TOUR 2017

### Leadership Team Retreat



Sonlife's leadership team arrived in Israel two days before the Study Tour began for our National Leadership Team Retreat. God has grown our Team significantly since last January as we've added six new team members. With our team spread out across 8 states and our regular team meetings being held by video conference, the Retreat and Study Tour gave us the opportunity to spend 12 days together. What a gift! We love serving together in the .disciple-making call God has placed on our lives

### Disciple-Making Leaders



While we had participated in Israel Study Tours with other ministries in the past, October 16-26 marked Sonlife's first Life of Christ Study Tour of our own. Beginning in the Spring of 2019, we will provide Study Tours for ministry leaders on an annual basis. Here the 40 of us are gathered at the Garden Tomb, where we had a time of worship and communion as we reflected on Christ choosing us to be His messengers of hope to a lost world in need of a Savior.

### Teaching in the Wilderness



Sonlife's Study Tour walked leaders through the Life of Christ chronologically, on location, site by site. On our second day, we made the four mile hike through the Wadi Qelt ravine in the Judean Wilderness. There I taught on Jesus' dependence upon the Holy Spirit during His 40 days of prayer, fasting and temptation at the beginning of His earthly ministry. Jesus waited on the Holy Spirit to begin His 3 1/2 year public ministry. After that, He told His disciples to wait on the Holy Spirit before they would begin the church in Acts.

### Teaching in Capernaum



In Capernaum, we talked about Jesus' invitation to the four fishermen to become "fishers of men." Jesus first issued this call in Matthew 4 & Mark 1, but then we see Him giving the challenge a second time in Luke 5. Why did He need to offer them this challenge twice? The first time, we read they "left their nets," but the second time, we read they "left everything" to follow Him. Their faith was growing. They had to trust that God would provide. They would learn to trust God with everything.

PLEASE PRAY FOR UPCOMING

Global Opportunities

### Open Door Haiti

#### December 2-8 / SOYM

I'll be training our young leaders in the character and priorities of Jesus and how they can BE disciple-makers wherever God sends them.

#### March 6-8 / Vision Trip

We are gathering a group of pastors and business leaders for a quick trip to Haiti to share the vision of what God is doing in and through Open Door's churches, schools, orphanage, medical center and training center.

### Sonlife Training Events

#### January 9-11 / D-CONFERENCE

Our Sonlife team is busy preparing for our national disciple-making training event where we'll bring together leaders from across North America to Orlando to sharpen our disciple-making vision.

#### Caribbean Expansion

We're planning together with key ministry leaders for a D-Conference in Belize in 2018. Trinidad, Jamaica & the Bahamas are also potential islands for expanding Sonlife's training to in the near future.

### Global Youth Initiative

#### April 11-14 / Orlando, FL

Sonlife's global disciple-making partners will gather together in Orlando to pray for one another, encourage one another, and strategize together on how we can see disciple-making movements in 100 countries across the globe.

### Big Life India

#### April 20-30 / India & Pakistan

Benjamin Francis, our partner at Big Life Ministries, has invited me to encourage & equip leaders in their rapidly expanding church planting movement (17,000 churches planted in 10 years!)



"Pray for us that God may open a door for our message!"  
Colossians 4:3

"Thank you for praying, encouraging, giving & loving in 2016! If you want to make a special year end gift to help launch us into an exciting 2018 of ministry, all gifts are tax deductible and can be made payable to:

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