

## TRAVIS FAMILY/MINISTRY NEWSLETTER | YEAR-END UPDATE (December 2025)

Dear Friends and Ministry Partners,

Merry Christmas from our family to yours! As we approach the close of the year, we want to share a few meaningful updates and say, once again, thank you. Your prayers, encouragement, and faithful giving have sustained us through a season that has required humility, resilience, and a daily dependence on the Lord.

### Serving Close to Home: Christmas Outreach to Families in Need

One of the greatest joys of the past weeks has been assisting Tannia's sister, Gabriela, as she serves locally through a cooperative ministry effort with the local public elementary school. Together, the school and ministry partners helped identify 50 families in need within the community.

Through this Christmas outreach, we provided a full Christmas dinner for each household and gifts for every child living in those 50 homes. What began as simple help in the kitchen quickly became a powerful reminder that gospel ministry is both practical and eternal—meeting real needs while pointing hearts to the hope found only in Christ.

Most meaningful of all, the event included a clear and heartfelt presentation of the Gospel, ensuring that families received not only tangible support but also the message of God's love and salvation through Jesus. We've watched the Lord use warm meals, generous gifts, and consistent presence to bring dignity and hope to people who are tired, hurting, and often overlooked.



"For I was hungry and you gave me food..." — Matthew 25:35 (ESV)



### Cherishing Time with Emma

Another gift we do not take for granted: extended time with Emma before she returns to Ecuador to continue her initial year of intensive autism therapy. We're grateful to share that her therapy is going very well, and we've seen encouraging progress—step by step—through consistent support, structured interventions, and the care of dedicated professionals.

This season has reminded us that progress is often built through many small victories, and we continue to trust the Lord with Emma's journey—emotionally, developmentally, and spiritually.

*"The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit."* —  
Psalm 34:18 (ESV)

## Exciting News: Incoming Head of School — Intermountain Christian School (ICS) (June 2026)

We are thrilled to share that I have been named the incoming Head of School for Intermountain Christian School (ICS) in the Salt Lake City area, beginning June 2026. Even more than a career milestone, we see this as a missional assignment—a next season of ministry that deeply aligns with our calling and passion for gospel-centered work. ICS is a Christ-centered, non-denominational PreK–12 school serving the Salt Lake Valley, and (to our understanding) one of the area’s only schools of its kind.

Utah is often described as a unique and strategic mission field. By one widely cited benchmark (Pew Research Center), only about 3% of Utah adults identify as evangelical Christians, underscoring the spiritual need and opportunity before us.

As we look ahead, our prayer is that God will use Christian education—discipleship, biblical worldview formation, and a vibrant school community—to strengthen families, equip students, and shine the light of Christ in a place where that witness is especially precious.

*“Commit your work to the LORD, and your plans will be established.” — Proverbs 16:3 (ESV)*

### A Clear Year-End Need: Your Support Matters Right Now:

With gratitude and transparency, we also want to share that our current need and dependency on the financial support of friends and family is urgent. We remain in a season where we are not yet receiving full-time income, and we have depleted our savings while continuing to meet Emma’s needs and covering essential living expenses.

Between now and the transition into the ICS role in June 2026, your partnership makes a direct difference. If the Lord leads you to give, please know that your year-end gift helps provide stability in a uniquely vulnerable window and allows us to continue serving, encouraging leaders, and supporting ministry needs as God opens doors.

*“And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.” — Galatians 6:9 (ESV)*

### Prayer Requests:

- Continued progress, strength, and peace for Emma as therapy continues
- Provision for our family through this transition season
- Fruit and encouragement through local outreach and relationship-building
- Wisdom and preparation as we look toward ICS (June 2026)



### A Christmas Blessing

As we celebrate this holy season, we’re reminded that our hope is not in circumstances, timelines, or resources—our hope is in the promised Savior. *“For unto you is born this day... a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.” — Luke 2:11 (ESV)* *“For to us a child is born... and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God...” — Isaiah 9:6 (ESV)*

From our family to yours: Merry Christmas! May you know the peace of Christ, the joy of His presence, and the steady confidence that God is faithful—always.

With gratitude and love,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Toby Travis".

Toby (for Tannia and Emma too!)



Did you miss an update? Visit [www.ministryupdates.org/travis](http://www.ministryupdates.org/travis).



Enclosed is my gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ designated for the ministry of *Toby & Tannia Travis* #20245.

# RIPE *for Harvest*

WORLD OUTREACH

Travis Account #20245  
PO Box 62009  
Colorado Springs, CO 80962-2009

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Donate securely online at  
[www.ripeforharvest.org](http://www.ripeforharvest.org)



I/We would like to make a Faith Promise of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per (circle one) Month / Quarter / Year.

Contributions are solicited with the understanding that Ripe For Harvest has complete discretion and control over the use of all donated funds.  
Ripe for Harvest World Outreach is a 501c3 non-profit organization. Federal tax number is: #20-2322235.

*A higher standard.  
A higher purpose.*