



# The Gaudet Family

*For Souls Still Waiting...*



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**"The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it." Psalm 68:11**

## Container on the way:

Almost to the day that I had back surgery in December, a container was loaded at **Bible & Literature Missionary Foundation**, Shelbyville, TN with 23,600 Burmese Bibles. That container is on the ocean now heading to our facility in Thailand.

A major portion of these Bibles will go into the hands of missionary Nat Williams and those he is working with. He is based near the northern port of Thailand into Burma. Because of the mountainous terrain and poor roads inside Burma, it has been difficult for brethren to move literature from Burma's old capitol internally to this area just across the border from Thailand's northern border. We had tried on a number of occasions to move shipments across the border there, but it more or less required someone living on that border. All that to say that many of the brethren who receive these Bibles to distribute have never had a source for them in quantity. This is exciting to us!

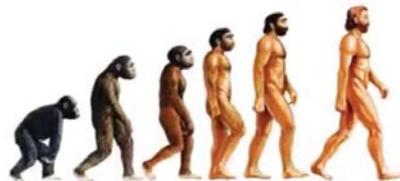
Please pray that God's precious Word would penetrate the spiritual darkness in Burma. Pray that there would be no complications with customs and delivery of the container. Pray as we coordinate with brethren exactly where these Bibles need to go. The need is so great; pray that we make wise decisions.

## Health:

It has taken 6+ weeks of me wearing a back brace to return to what the Dr calls *normal activity*. I would not say normal because, for at least the past 5 years I walked more or less bent over. Now I am standing and walking upright again!

I recently looked at myself in the mirror, and remembering how I stood before, it made me think of this drawing. Thank the Lord, there has been a revolution (not an evolution) in my posture. I am fully dressed however!

Please pray as Krinny's knees have gotten worse for the past several years. Now that I am functional, she is ready to have something done about them. Drs have told her she needs joint replacement in both of them. At the moment, finding a Dr is the biggest challenge.



## Online Ministry:

Dec '17-Jan '18

Nothing we have undertaken in over 39 years of ministry in getting the Word of God to those who have never heard has required more investment in prayer, time, research, learning things we never had any idea existed... However, the farther we go, the more convinced we are of its possibility to reach greater numbers of people than anything in today's world.

We are advancing on several fronts, adding volunteers and language sites, and actively promoting content on a couple of the sites so that we become familiar with that important process. On one site, we have been quietly doing that for almost a year as we learn that which does not work as well as that which does.

I hope in an upcoming prayer letter to show you a couple of samples of sites that are fully functional.

Several years ago I was having severe pain in different joints of my body. I mean by that the kind of pain that was simply debilitating. Drs were unable to find the root of the pain. In the midst of that, my Dr., who is a believer and familiar with our ministry, said to me "It is very evident to me that there is a strong spiritual component to this battle." I could not have said it better. That statement comes to mind as we work through every problem while launching the websites. Please pray!

## Translation, publication - of materials for print as well as interactive for online study..

In addition to the Bible, we are turning many of the things we have published in the past into interactive content to be used on these various foreign language websites. We have encoded Scriptures for the web in 7 languages at this point. Added to material we have produced over the years, other literature written by or translated by faithful brethren are being secured for the same purpose. It is a huge amount of work reformatting these.

All this to say that work on one language or another; encoding Bibles, formatting lessons into interactive content, otherwise producing internet content is ongoing at every hour of the day somewhere on the globe. Please pray; organizing this effort and sustaining it has been proven to be a huge task. It will only get busier as we go forward. We really have stepped out into the deep following our Lord:

*Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught. Luke 5:4*

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## *Short videos to be used online:*

We are developing a number of short videos to be used on the internet. Fortunately we have most of the equipment needed to produce quality videos. After nearly one year of working with a site we have set up in an Asian language we have begun to learn what works and what does not. We have seen the value of having short, targeted videos. That has helped us formulate plans we are working with now.

For nearly 40 years we have had a singular purpose; to get the Word of God to those who do not have it. That has not changed; working behind the scenes with shipping Scriptures to the field, at the same time, formatting and placing the Word of God on foreign language websites around the Globe. Translation, publishing, printing; all still is going forward, only in more languages than ever. At the same time on the www, we literally are opening up the Word of God to those who cannot otherwise get it. Please pray!

## *From Krinny:*

The holidays from Thanksgiving thru Christmas were very busy for us. Tom had back surgery in early December, that he has needed for at least 4 years. The "bone doctors" all agreed that he needed to have hip replacement first, then they said his neck was dangerously messed up and they needed to fix that next. So finally they were able to get around to

## *E-Mail Updates:*

We would love to have you subscribe to our e-mailed updates. Over the years as this work has grown, we have seen the value of having nearly instantaneous communication with our prayer partners and supporters. We are only able to get 4 of these printed newsletters out via postal mail each year. However, we send e-mail updates as many times as is demanded by the situation, but it is never frivolous.

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fixing his back. It has been a really tough year for him. It hasn't been that great for me either. I need two new knees, but have been waiting until Tom was patched up to get it on the schedule. Hopefully that will be soon. Pray for us.

We have been falling apart physically since a couple of years before we returned from Thailand. God's timing is everything. Basically we left Thailand for home at just the right time. I would not have wanted to have these drastic surgeries there. The portion of ministry left there is going on fine without us being there on the ground. Tom did make one trip back last year to downsize the office and take care of some other business, but other than that things are continuing on quite well.

For our Christmas this year, Tom and I are remodeling our master bathroom. We sent the grandkids money which is what they wanted. They are saving up to buy stuff that they want. Our daughter will be visiting us in January. She will be coming alone.

They are not able to afford for all 6 of them to come home this year. Our hope is that we will be well enough, and strong enough, and recovered enough to go to Lithuania next Christmas unless the Lord comes for us before then. In which case we will go to Heaven and what a reunion that will be!!!

God bless all of you who have supported, and prayed for us this year. We appreciate your faithfulness and all that you do on our behalf. We love each and every one of you.

## *Global Intercessors Posts:*

We would also like to invite you to receive the posts from Global Intercessors.

To do so, please go to [www.GlobalIntercessors.org](http://www.GlobalIntercessors.org). On that main page on the right side you will find a Sign-up box. Insert your e-mail address there and you will be notified when a new post is made to the site.

Information can fuel effective Intercession. Join many others who are focused on intercession. Together we can be used to make a world-wide impact.

Please pray for us as we tool up to be used of the Lord in this important work.

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