



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

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SPECIAL EDITION!

Health:

The header of this letter says: *"Special Edition."* The reason for that title will follow. We were due to have a **Prayer Letter** out in October and another in Dec of 2019. More on that follows:

The first part of October I made a couple of back to back trips during which I was in a lot of pain. Of course all that was due to the need for a back surgery.

Container Shipments:

The above-mentioned trips culminated with a conference at **Bible and Literature Missionary Foundation** in Shelbyville, TN. At the last day of that meeting, they loaded and shipped a container full of Burmese Bibles bound for Thailand/Burma. What a joy to be there when the container was loaded. I had only been on the receiving end of around 20 such containers since we started working in the region. This was the third container of around 25,000 whole Bibles from this ministry alone.



In Tennessee

Another container shipped from Beckley, WV a couple of weeks before. The contents of this shipment was Burmese New Testaments, Gospels, Bible study materials. I was unable to travel there to be present for that shipment. Approximately 8 ministries were represented by the materials in that container. The timing of these two containers was thought out so that the unloading in Thailand would be a couple of weeks apart.

As it turned out, **both** containers arrived at the same time! Brethren on the ground in Thailand scrambled and were able to unload both containers pretty quickly.

Two containers; those words roll off the tongue pretty easily, but we are talking about nearly 40 tons which were unloaded. Bibles, New Testaments, Gospels and other materials were sent to their respective destinations. They are now in the hands of Pastors, evangelists and other workers who have made requests.

The needs in the region are ongoing. Please pray for continued supply.

To backtrack just a little, on the 30th of October, I was admitted to the hospital for back surgery. Complications with the recovery then led to **three** more surgeries to correct it. The last of those was a few days before Christmas this past year. Four surgeries in two months have left me pretty much out of commission during that time and into January. I seem to be recovering well from all that. I am just very weak, and due to start therapy within a few days.

How grateful we are for the many of you who regularly pray on our behalf. Some of you were unaware of all this going on because we did not send out a printed prayer letter during that time. But because of our email based **Gaudet Family Updates** many of you were aware. Please subscribe to these updates. Instructions for doing so is available at the end of this letter.

Back to the title of this **Prayer Letter**. From all the explanation I have made above, maybe you can guess the reason for the title. It is a Special Edition because it is the **only** printed edition we have made! I know that the delay has severely tested the patience for some of you. We are so grateful for all you do on our behalf.

Internet based ministry:

Those of you who have been following the development of this outreach know that publishing God's Word is at the core of this initiative. In an effort to respond to several requests where brethren have asked for a way to put the texts of the Bible on their smartphones, we have just signed a contract with a professional App developer to produce that for us. He also is a Christian and understands very well what we need.

You may have a Bible App for your smartphones and wonder why another one needs to be developed. I do not have room here to list the reasons but please remember that many who will use this speak another language.

It appears that the App and needed webpage domains will cost just under \$8,000. After much prayer, we have given a **"Go"** to this work, knowing that what God orders He will provide. We have been able to cover around 1/3 of that from our workfund so far. Please pray for all that is needed to complete this work and get it into the hands of those who have never heard! If you wish to know more please contact me.



Unloading in Thailand

From Krinny:

Last year was a very difficult year for us Gaudet's. It involved several surgeries for Tom and one for me. Mine was very minor. His were definitely not minor. He had heart surgery and 4 back surgeries.

Last January Tom had quadruple by-pass surgery. In early February our daughter was able to fly home from Lithuania, where they are missionaries, to help me, since by this time I had already been with Tom in the hospital for a couple of weeks without ever coming home. I wouldn't have made it thru that ordeal without her help. It was a blessing to have her with me.

A few months later, during the summer, our granddaughter was able to visit us and that was the highlight of our year. We hadn't seen her in a few years and it was a delight to get to know her a little better. Since they live in Lithuania, we aren't able to see them often.

We spent Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas Days in the hospital. Halloween is not a holiday we celebrate, but

I use it here to be just a date marker for when we were in the hospital. Thanksgiving is my favorite holiday and the hospital did provide a very nice Thanksgiving dinner for the inmates... I mean patients. While there in the hospital, I managed to pass a huge kidney stone and I felt much better. It didn't help Tom much but, hey, you have to be glad for what you get, right? Christmas was a total non-event at the Hospital. Skeleton staff, no nice dinner, and no family get-together. However, by Christmas we were so drained that all we wanted for Christmas was to be back in our own home and able to rest up.

In the midst of our health issues it is a blessing and peace to know that the Bible distribution in Thailand and Burma is in good hands with Nat and Anne Williams. They are doing an incredible job in their ministry. Please pray for them as they serve in that region.

Please continue to pray for us. We are still in recovery mode. We know that the prayers of God's people will see us thru. Thank you to all who have and will continue to pray for us. We love you and pray God's blessings back to you.

Krinny

E-Mail Updates:

We would love to have you subscribe to our e-mail 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.

To subscribe, please go to www.gaudetfamily.org and enter your e-mail address in the Subscribe box. You will then be subscribed to the *Gaudet Family Updates*. Thank you for considering it. If you only get these newsletters a lot occurs that simply cannot be reported here.

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To do so, please go to 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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