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With grateful hearts, we say thank you for
your prayers and financial partnership.

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Changes, Changes, and More Changes!!!

This fall semester has brought so many changes to our lives. As you know, we made a big change at the beginning of September when we resigned from FamilyLife and began an organization called the Center for Biblical Living. This change has been a true test of our faith as we have had to trust the Lord as we communicated and waited for support to transfer over, and as we have had to learn what it means to be responsible for all of the administrative details on our own. The Lord has been kind as we have currently seen 80% of our support move over. We continue to trust Him for the rest. He has also provided us some great help in the area of administration through a couple from our church, Bill and Cindy Starr, who have volunteered their time to help us in this new venture. We are so thankful and encouraged by God's provision and sustaining grace.

Another big change for our family this fall has been transitioning to having two full time college students and only having one child to home school. Brooklyn moved onto the campus of Boyce College the second week of August. Being the homebody she was, she has surprised herself with how much she is enjoying college life. She enjoys the community she has found there and we couldn't be happier for her. Brooklyn quit her job at Chick-fil-a, after having worked there for three years, and began working in the Events Department at school to be a hostess for various events.

Kylie began as a full time student this fall at Boyce College. Kylie is living at home (although we don't see much of her) and commuting this year. She very much is looking forward to moving to campus next fall. Kylie continues to work at Chick-fil-a and is thriving there, moving towards management.

Jadyn is an eighth grader this year and takes classes one day a week at the Christian Education Consortium. She continues to work hard. We are thankful to be able to see her grow and mature in the Lord and her school work. Although Jadyn is missing her sisters immensely, she has kept busy playing volleyball this fall.

Meet the Starrs

As we mentioned above, Bill and Cindy Starr have graciously joined us in the ministry of the Center for Biblical Living. We met Bill and Cindy at church a few years ago. They, like us, enjoy serving along side one another. They bring many talents and experiences to our ministry. Bill has been using his gifting of administration by helping us with many of the administration details that come with beginning an organization. Bill and Cindy together have been a great help in gathering information, writing curriculum and helping with counseling. We couldn't be more thankful for the sweet friendship and help they bring to our team.

Here is what the Starrs have said about why they have chosen to work with CBL, "We are grateful and excited to serve with CBL. Our commitment to Biblical truth, discipleship, and marriage makes CBL a great fit for ministry."

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Meet the Center for Biblical Living's Board of Directors

Dave Nafziger

Dave and his wife, Deb, became dear friends and mentors to us during our youth ministry days back in Ohio. They have poured into us for years with encouragement and many challenges. They have never let us sit idle in our ministry. We are where we are today because of their faithful prayers and pushing. Dave is a business owner in Northwest Ohio.

Dave says this about CBL:

"I have had the privilege of knowing Tom and Robyn for many years. They had been mentors to my kids when they were young. It came full circle when my oldest son and his wife went to Southern Seminary and they were fortunate enough to sit under the mentorship of Tom and Robyn. I believe in what they are doing for those who are preparing to go into full-time ministry and what they are doing for those already there. Along with biblical counseling, they are also giving these young couples practical advice on how to keep a strong marriage and set proper boundaries in ministry. They bring credibility to the table, in that they served in youth ministry during the early years of their marriage. I am honored and privileged to partner with the Scotts in this ministry."

Jeremy Pierre

Jeremy and his wife, Sarah, have become friends of ours through our working relationship at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Jeremy is a professor of Biblical Counseling. He has taught us so much in the area of counseling. Jeremy has brought much clarity and encouragement to our ministry. The Lord has been kind to allow us to serve students with Jeremy.

Jeremy says this about CBL:

"I serve on the board of CBL because I have witnessed firsthand the importance of this ministry. Through Tom and Robyn's wise care, hurting people have come to see how encountering God through Scripture changes the way they see everything—including the areas of their lives they thought were out of Jesus' reach. My wife Sarah and I give enthusiastically out of our time and our finances to support this important work."

Richard Scott

Richard is Tom's older brother. He and his wife, Barb, are a crucial part of Tom's salvation story. They have poured into our marriage since the day we got engaged. They have prayed for us and encouraged us to walk obediently with Christ. Richard is the manager of Electric Operations Apprenticeship Programs, Tools and Work Methods at Consumer Energy in Michigan.

Richard says this about CBL:

"Serving as a board member for the Center for Biblical Living is an honor, personal blessing, and a privilege for me. I had the awesome and humbling experience of sharing the Gospel with Tom and being present when the Spirit led him to begin his journey of following Christ. My wife, Barb, and I have also been blessed to pour into Tom & Robyn when they began dating, throughout their marriage, and into the beginning of their journey into full-time Church ministry. Accountability has been a part of our relationship from the beginning until now, as the Lord calls them into this new and exciting ministry of applying the Word of God to counsel the Ministers of God's Word. Prayerfully and financially supporting Tom and Robyn's faithful commitment has allowed us to multiply our service to the Lord through them."

Patrick Voelker

We first met Patrick and his wife, Cindy, in 2005 when we got off an airplane in Little Rock, Arkansas to check out FamilyLife. The Voelkers were there to do the same. We are thankful the Lord led us both to join FamilyLife staff at the same time and allowed us to become great friends. The Voelkers served with FamilyLife until 2011 when the Lord led them back to Minnesota. Patrick currently serves as an executive pastor at a church in Minnesota.

Patrick says this about CBL:

"I am so excited for the days that are ahead for CBL. In the past several years, the investment of Tom and Robyn's time, energy, and wisdom; and with the support of FamilyLife and your financial support; future and current pastors, their wives, and families have been strengthened and blessed. New pastors have been prepared just not for ministry, but for life as a pastor and husband."

The church is Jesus' plan for the world, our country, and our communities and the church needs the strong and stable leadership of great character. Now with the establishment of CBL, more focus and impact can occur in this key area of church leadership. My family and I are excited to be a part of and to support this ministry!"