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Thank the Lord for:

- increased support
- warm fellowship at missions conferences

Please pray:

- for February travels from Alabama to Virginia and points in between

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Dear Friends,

I wasn't planning to send out another prayer letter until next month, but I've seen the Lord do so much for me in January that I couldn't wait to share it with all of you.

New Supporters

Just last month I had asked you to pray that God would direct more churches to support me as they set their budgets for the new year. God answered your prayers! Within the span of a single week, I received word that three churches had taken me on for support! My newest supporters are **Mount Calvary Baptist Church** in Greenville, SC, **Hurst Baptist Church** in Sylvania, GA, and **Volusia County Baptist Church** in Orange City, FL. This caused my support level to jump from 27% to 37%!

New Opportunities

I had only two meetings during January, but they were both wonderful opportunities for fellowship, ministry, and encouragement. During the early part of the month, I participated in a missions weekend at Mt. Moriah Baptist Church in Powhatan, VA. After more than 100 years, this church still stands firm for the Lord and actively supports missions.

I finished the month at a missions conference at Volusia County Baptist. I've already mentioned that the church voted to support me (and others) right there in the service, but they also gave me a gift of \$5000 over and above the love offering! I'm so thankful that God has given this church both the means and the desire to participate so generously in the work of missions.

Thank you so much for your faithful support and prayers. Each one of you has an important role to play in bringing God's Word to the people of the world.

Sincerely,

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Those who wish to participate financially in my ministry may send gifts to Baptist Mid-Missions with a note designating them for the ministry of Kim Hibbard.

Q&A: How do you feel when you receive support from churches & individuals?

1. **Thankful:** In a difficult economy, it's tempting to think that the support will never come. When support does come, it is a clear reminder that God is the One providing for me. Human wisdom would tell people to hoard their money. Only God could direct them to give.
2. **Humbled:** I truly feel my own unworthiness when I see people giving their hard-earned money and spending their valuable time to help me get to the field. I know my own short-comings and weaknesses all too well. The thought of those short-comings can overwhelm me if I don't constantly remind myself that God is working in me to accomplish His will, both in my mind and in my actions (Phil. 2.13).
3. **Responsible:** When a church or an individual gives me their financial support or tells me that they pray for me regularly, I feel that I've received a sacred trust. These people are counting on me to represent them in my field of ministry. The weight of that responsibility causes me to evaluate my own life more carefully: Are my actions and attitudes consistent with the trust these people have given me? Am I using my time wisely and working diligently? Again, I must regularly remind myself that I'm not doing all this alone. God will strengthen me, guide me, protect me.