

# The Applegate Family

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Missionaries to Uganda, East Africa

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Dear Friends,

The search for Godly leadership seems to be on the minds of many pastors and Christian school administrators. As I travel to churches, pastors express concern over the lack of men to fill the positions of Sunday School teachers, deacons, and assistant pastors. Dan Dwire and I are continually asking God for strong Biblical leaders to help us at Faith Baptist Church in Uganda. I trust that God has the right Ugandan man to pastor Faith Baptist Church in the future.



### Family Update:

Our four youngest children began attending a Christian school with their cousin on August 10. One of them told me, "Dad, I have butterflies in my stomach every morning before going to class." We are praying this will be a good opportunity for each of them to have new social experiences and be pushed out of their comfort zones. It will also give Kristy a little break from home-schooling.

While dropping Eliana off at college, Kristy and I saw many former college buddies who were also dropping off their freshman son or daughter. I think the kids got a little embarrassed when their parents greeted one another so loudly in the hallway of their dorm that everyone turned to look. I told Kristy that it was encouraging to see so many friends from our college days still loving the Lord and loving their children.

### Faith Baptist Church Building Project:

Faith Baptist Church celebrated its 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary on September 4<sup>th</sup>. We continue to wait for government approval for construction to begin. Lord willing, by the 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the new building will be completed.



### Furlough Update:

Amidst 4 kids starting Christian school and getting Eliana settled at a Christian college, we are also busy visiting supporting churches. Some of our supporting churches have new pastors since we were at their church, and we are meeting them for the first time. Other pastors have been in the same church since we began raising support in 2002. I do not look forward to the extensive traveling, but I do look

### PRAYER REQUESTS

- Our sending church, Bible Baptist, as they seek the Lord's guidance for a new pastor.
- Safety as Kristy and I travel to supporting churches
- Faith Baptist Church and Pastor Dwire and family in Uganda

### PRAISES

- Eliana is settling well at PCC.
- Safety during our travels to churches and in taking Elysse to Shriners Hospital in St. Louis
- Faith Baptist celebrated 5 years.





forward to encouraging and fellowshiping with our supporting pastors. I'm also grateful for the opportunities the Lord has given us to share the Gospel and encourage brothers and sisters in Christ.

Please pray for our sending church, Bible Baptist Church in Hendersonville, Tennessee. Our beloved pastor, Dr. Mutsch, resigned from the church to take a vice president position at Pensacola Christian College. Although this came as a shock, we are happy for the influence Dr. Mutsch will have in many more people's lives. On the Sunday he said his tear-filled goodbyes at Bible Baptist in the morning service, he traveled to Pensacola. That evening, Kristy and I had the privilege of giving him a hug at PCC after the evening convocation service. That was a blessing.



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From Top: Fellow missionaries at BIMl Enrichment Week. Elexis helping in VBS. Ellora and her volleyball friend. Fun at VBS. Tony & Kristy celebrate their 23<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary.

