

December 2023

Roneys' Testimonies

Dear Friends and Family,

Merry Christmas! Ben and I have so much to be thankful for this year. First, we were finally able to visit my family in the Middle East! My 3 sisters were also able to visit while we were there which meant my whole family was able to be together. It was almost surreal to have Ben in my hometown and watch him eat the flatbread I used to eat for breakfast. We also got to visit my sister who lives in Dubai. It turns out, the tallest building in the world, the Burj Khalifa, is in Dubai. Watching it at night during the light and fountain show is quite a sight.



Asil's family celebrating her oldest sister's 30th birthday.



Celebrating Thanksgiving dinner with Ben's family.

After visiting the Middle East, we traveled back to Indiana where we celebrated Thanksgiving with Ben's family. One of the highlights of our visit to Indiana was rekindling our relationship with the church that Ben grew up in. We were so encouraged by the response of the church and Ben even got to share his story with the youth group. So many people have been praying for good health and safety during our travels and we can say with absolute certainty that God answered your prayers! For our train ride back home, Ben and I got upgraded to a full bedroom with complimentary meals. There were two beds that pulled out and we had our own bathroom as well. Once we got on the train, we were beaming from ear to ear nonstop for an hour.

We are now back in Spokane recovering from our travels and getting ready for the baby to come. Our doctor's visit showed that the baby is healthy and developing well. In our last prayer letter, we added a verse that had been speaking to us: "not worrying about tomorrow for tomorrow will worry about itself." Ben and I really got to live out this verse during our travels and it stretched us. We didn't know how all the traveling in the States and overseas would go with me being pregnant or how support raising would go. Yet, God went over and above our expectations and took good care of our every need.



Our luxury bedroom on the train heading back to Spokane.

Lamentations 3:22-23

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

As you probably know, Asil and I have transitioned from working for Moody to raising support full time in anticipation of joining with MAF. Our Goal is to raise \$3500 per month by the end of December, and we are 69% of the way there! Also, we have been graciously given a one-time gift to support us through December! Praise God! We are still praying that God will help us reach our goal by end of December (chart below). Please pray with us and thank you so much for been part of our journey so far. God has been doing amazing things and we are so blessed to be a part of it. If you are interested in helping us reach our goal of \$3500 of monthly support by the end of December, we would love to talk with you. Please reach out in whatever form of communication works best for you. (Text, email, phone call, mail, pigeons)



Standing in front of the Burj Khalifa in Dubai, the tallest building in the world.

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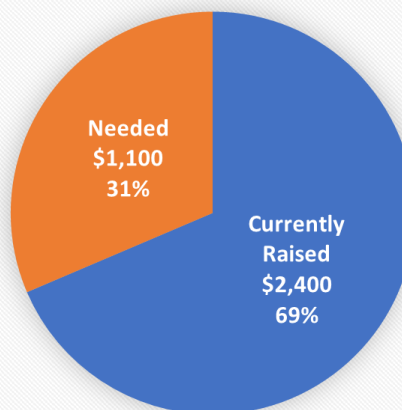
Prayer Requests:

- Pray that we can reach our financial goal of \$3,500 per month by the end of December.
- Pray that we can prepare for the baby coming in January: taking classes, buying furniture and baby gear, and setting up a nursery room.
- Pray that we would continue to be able to serve at our church where needed during our changing lifestyle.
- Pray for our marriage and relationship as many things will change with a new member of the family on the way.



Ben and I enjoying traditional coffee and dates with family in the Middle East.

December 2023 Goals



July 2024 Goals

