

Dear Gayland - we come to you with warm greetings!

We would like to share with you that we are resigning as AGWM missionaries to Moldova. When Abba started to speak to us about this, it was very hard to hear and even more to obey. BUT, He has given us beautiful answers throughout this year. We are now sharing this information with our supporting churches. We wanted to let you know, as well and thank you so very much for your warm and caring support for us throughout the past ten years. As you will see, we will still be serving pastors, missionaries and church families throughout Wisconsin. We prayerfully ask for your continued support. Thank you!

The following is our letter to church families:

We would like to update you on how God has been leading us to serve in missions. First, we want to thank you for your faithful support over the past 10 years, covering us in prayers and gifts that have allowed us to do the ministry God has given us to the people of Moldova. Our Father has enabled us, through you, to bring the Gospel to the lost as we have hosted missions teams to build the church and strengthen the church planting movement across Moldova. We are pleased to report that the local leadership has a firm grasp on the concept of church planting and they continue to multiply at a rapid pace. Currently, there are approximately 89 church plants at different stages of progress on the 2020-2021 calendar. Though many are small, the overall gain is amazing by any standard.

Our Father has been speaking to Beth and me. The job we were called to do initially was to support a missionary in the field, to free him up to fulfill his calling; to be his Aaron and Hur (Exodus 17:12-13). Our "Moses" missionaries were Andy and Nancy Raatz. Because we were able to host mission teams, Andy was able to mentor pastors throughout Moldova in a more effective way.

Seeking God's will, He reminded us of our calling - armor bearers. As we contacted many churches and pastors to highlight our ministry and through working in the missions field, we came to realize that our church leadership are often some of the most neglected. We have heard of missionaries not having anyone to celebrate Christmas, outside of church functions. Many assume pastors and missionaries already have plans and they don't get invited to family type gatherings. When life wears a person down, many find comfort, assurance and counsel in our pastors. When a pastor or missionary is in need, options are often limited. We want to be an option for pastors, missionaries and their families to have a place to go when they are in need of rest. A place to be loved, catered to and have a safe, neutral and confidential listening ear.

Abba brought such an opportunity to host a home for those in ministry to relax with ServantCARE in the village of Cassville, Wisconsin, three blocks from the Mississippi River. We are asking our supporters if they would pray and consider supporting us in this area of service. Since it is not with Assemblies Of God World Missions, current support would need to be transferred to ServantCARE, an evangelical cross-denominational ministry committed to serving serving missionaries, pastors, and those in ministry. AGWM has committed to transfer a generous portion of our budget, already donated by your

church family, to ServantCARE indicating their confidence in our new ministry direction. Please check into the ServantCARE website to get more details. www.servantcare.com

Beth and I will put together another website where we will share more detailed information of what our ministry. Can we count on your continued prayer and financial support to invest in this much needed ministry with us? Below are steps for you to take to transfer monthly support from AGWM to ServantCARE.

1. Contact AGWM and inform them to cancel monthly support for us, Don & Beth Minikel – account: 294646.
2. Contact Larry Parks @ 334-695-4043 or email him at: servantcare1@gmail.com and inform Larry, or his wife Anita, of your intention to support us monthly.
3. Set up support with them or go on the ServantCARE website: www.servantcare.com/support and follow instructions on the “Donate Now” button found on the page.
4. It encourages us to know that you recognize the great value of this ministry and want to continue to faithfully support us. Drop us an email at: donnbeth@gmail.com or beth.minikel@gmail.com

We continue to lift you in prayer and ask that you remember us and our ministry in prayer, as well. God bless us in all He has prepared for us in advance to do!

Don and Beth Minikel

Ephesians 2:10 - For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.