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## In Ministry

Our church has grown tremendously over the last couple of months. Three new families have joined with us. Lili and I had the privilege to lead one of the couples to salvation. They had been faithfully attending services for about a month, and we could see that God was working in their hearts. We sat down with them after services one evening, and both the man and woman trusted Christ as Savior. We hope to baptize them soon. This was an excellent way for our church to start the new year! The other couple comes from a hyper-charismatic church in our city. The church's pastor told

Savior. We hope to papuze any year! The other couple comes from a hyper-charisman on them that if they were to get married, they would lose their salvation. Never had I heard such nonsense, but Paul warned Timothy of such false teachers in

1 Timothy 4:3. We opened the Bible and showed them that salvation is secure in Jesus and not dependent upon our decision to marry or not. After confirming their salvation testimonies, we saw them married and have begun discipleship with them. Both husband and wife have a great deal of false teachings they need to unlearn, but they are devouring the Word of God. We have already seen God bless their young family. The other new face is a dear sister who, many years ago, belonged to a church led by a Japanese missionary here in Romania, Kabsu Kim. She recently moved back to this area, and God



brought her to our church. We've also had other visitors recently, and we pray that God allows us to see more people saved. The new additions have energized our church family. Two of the families have come with children also; welcome additions.

## In Prayer

We continue to partner with you in prayer. Please pray for these new families that God has brought to our church. Pray that God would open their hearts to be obedient to Him. Continue praying for our church family, as some struggle with heartbreaking problems. Pray for our upcoming ladies'

day fellowship. We host this event every year, and it is always a sweet time for our ladies as we partner with other local churches. We also ask that you continue praying about our housing situation. We are still seeking wisdom concerning the construction of a new home and awaiting God's provision to do so.

## In Our Home

We had a great visit with Ruth over her Christmas break. She was here for just over a month. We enjoyed hearing her stories and listening to her sing again. She made the round-trip from Pensacola, Florida, to Romania without any problems. She is back at Pensacola Christian College and doing well.

Our living situation has been challenging for the last couple of months. Due to the problems with our house, we have been living in the upstairs of the church. While not ideal, we have made it work. We decided to move into the church building when we realized it would be impossible to heat the house this winter. We were running the heat all day in the house but could only get the temperature up to about 55°F. Our heating bill for the house was triple that of the church for a building less than half the size. This is not the first time we have had church in our home, but this is a temporary solution at best. Please continue to pray for the finances necessary to resolve our housing situation. We are extremely thankful for the churches that have sent offerings.

The rest of us are back to our winter routine of doing school and trying to stay warm. Thank you for all your prayers and support. We are thankful for partners who pray and give. May God continue to meet your needs as He has met ours.

God Bless, Eric, Lili, Ruth, Joshua, and Ela