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Dear Friends in Christ,

How many of you remember the TV show, "My Three Sons?" In those days, many programs were about families. Father knows Best, Family Affair, Dennis the Menace, and so on were very popular. Deidra and I would like to share with you "Our Four Families."

OUR OAC FAMILY

We are growing. Several months ago, I was invited to take part in our Orientation / Candidate School. This program is designed to help potential staff members see what OAC is about from an organizational perspective. We discussed goals and core values, as well as our purpose and mission statements. Our policy manual, by-laws, and



articles of incorporation were also taught in depth and in detail. Building a support team, working with the church at large, time management and other essential topics were included. Basically, it comes down to, "This is what you can expect from OAC, and this is what we expect from you." I am glad to report that an invitation to join OAC was extended to and accepted by all four families. These new candidates from California, Maryland, Arkansas, and New Hampshire will be working with four of our established OAC branch ministries.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Recently our church has restarted our "C" or community groups. I know that this may be hard to believe, but I have been asked to teach the Seniors on Tuesday mornings. I don't look old with my glasses off, but my mind, body, and the calendar tell a different story. I have been told that "Getting old is not for sissies." I am aware of that truth every morning.

OUR FAMILY FAMILY

Many of you are aware that Deidra and I have been blessed with three wonderful children and five terrific grandchildren; not to mention one amazing daughter-in-law and one amazing son-in-law.

Our son, **John**, is an eighth-grade principal at a middle school in our area. His wife, **Margaret**, is a librarian at another public school. Their oldest daughter, **Megan**, is a high school sophomore who enjoys soccer and working at Chic-Fil-A. **Cara**, their youngest daughter, enjoys drama and art.

Our middle daughter, **Karen**, is an art teacher in Africa. She teaches students in all grades. I have no idea how she can remember all of their names. She has been teaching there for seven years. As I write this letter, she is returning to her home after climbing Mt. Kenya. 17,000 feet is a long way up!

Our youngest daughter, **Sandy**, lives with her family in Florida. Her husband, **Jathan**, works for a pool company. He not only works on pumps, filtration systems, and with new customers, he now installs computer systems so that customers can turn on their pools and hot tubs through their cell phones! Sandy is homeschooling their two oldest children: **Jocey**, who is in third grade, and **Jaxen**, who is in first. Their youngest, **Jude**, who is three, knows more about the 3 R's than I did at 6. The kids enjoy soccer, fishing, and lizard hunting with Granddad. Don't worry; we hunt lizards with water pistols.

OUR PARTNERSHIP FAMILY

Thank you so very much for being a part of our family, too. Your sacrificial giving and prayer have enabled us to minister together for these 44 years. May the Lord grant you all His grace, strength, and peace of heart during these difficult days.

To God be the glory,

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