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The beginning of February brought with it feelings of having just pushed off of a very tall playground slide - one of those older gigantic metal slides we had fun on as kids. What's making the ride down even faster is that someone has recently rubbed it down with leftover wax paper that previously held a sandwich from their lunchbox!

Zoom ... straight to the bottom of the slide, which in our lives represents our flight date of July 26. Let's just sum it up with the Latin phrase tempus fugit - or "time flies."

Teresa recently returned from helping lead a Charis Bible College sponsored mission trip to Africa and will depart again for the Dominican Republic in approximately four weeks. In the short time before Teresa departs, we have plans of putting our house up for sale and attacking the daunting task of lightening the load of our possessions in preparation for the move overseas. Each time we've moved in the last six years, we *thought* we had gotten rid of excess "stuff," but when we take a look around, the "stuff" seems to have spontaneously reproduced. Despite the challenge of having a full plate set before us, the Muslim people, preaching the gospel and making disciples continue to be foremost on our hearts and minds.

Seeking the promise of a better life, much of the world's attention remains focused on the thousands of Muslim families pouring out of civil war plagued areas such as Syria and Yemen. These families will continue to flee until the various factions fighting within choose to draw closer to a more peaceful resolution. If peace becomes a reality, a door could effectively be opened that would allow us access into regions such as these to carry the gospel to the unreached. Please keep peace for these areas in your prayers.

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Sincerely,

Patrick and Teresa Houghteling