

*"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now." Philippians 1:3-5*

We were so "blown away" this past month. We won't ever forget it! Change isn't easy – and we've experienced a ton of change already this year. But we've been amazed by God's goodness in this transition to joining OC.

Just thinking about these past 16 years of ministry, we are exploding with thankfulness to God for Lake Hills Church – and for everyone who helped start the church in 1990 and all who have served with us since! When we remember each family, each life that's been changed, each baptism, and each outreach event, every single year has been filled with such incredible evidence of God's grace.



*OC team at our May retreat in Bellingham, Washington.*

We never imagined so much in our lives would change in such a short period of time, or that saying goodbye would feel so foreign. While we'd been anticipating this transition since December, the final days of our ministry were so spiritually and emotionally full. Our Lake Hills family demonstrated such unbelievable love to Deanne, Doug, Maddie and me.



*We're grateful for supportive friends and leaders at Lake Hills Church!*

We can't say thank you enough to those of you who have expressed your support, your love, your continued commitment, and your tangible help in so many ways. We continue to be grateful for your prayers, your gifts, your encouragement, and your ongoing partnership in our lives. We are also thanking God for each family who has joined our ministry team and begun praying and investing as He leads us forward.

As we start this new month, we remain thankful to God – not only for all He has done for us, but also for the opportunity to now partner together with OC in the U.S. to establish vibrant, multiplying churches, transforming America. In early May, I had the opportunity to meet our new team in Washington. It was a wonderfully bonding experience and we are eager to begin working together as a team.

This summer, our lives remain full:

- During July and August, I am on sabbatical and will be working on my doctoral dissertation. (I'll share more about this in the future.)
- Maddie is spending six weeks dancing with the Houston Ballet until the end of July – and then she heads to New York to spend two weeks with her cousins!
- Doug will be playing flute in the Young Artists Orchestra which is part of Boston University's Tanglewood Institute.
- Deanne and I will begin settling into a new home (rental) and enjoying an incredible vacation with Deanne's sister Darlene and her husband, Steve. We'll also spend a few days together as a family in New York City.

We covet your prayers as we follow God in obedience to His call.

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