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Dear Friends,

Many thanks for your prayers on our behalf, especially concerning our time last week in Northern Kentucky. Although we did not find a house on this trip, our time nonetheless was encouraging on several fronts. First, as a result of spending lots of time with our realtor, we enjoyed many opportunities to orient ourselves to the people, culture and geography of Northern Kentucky. Additionally, at the spring meeting of the Ohio Valley Presbytery I was given the official go ahead to move now that outside funding for the project has reached 80%. And finally, we enjoyed an evening of fellowship and prayer for the church plant with a few interested families.

In previous issues I have highlighted the name, mission, and vision of the church plant. Now the message:

Our Message – The message of Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church will be the life-saving and life-changing gospel of God's grace and peace in Jesus Christ. The biblical gospel opposes, on the one hand, self-saving "religion" as seen in legalism and moralism, and it opposes, on the other hand, self-ruling "irreligion" as seen in hedonism and relativism. The gospel is the lifetime message for unbeliever and believer alike, for the gospel is not only the power for initial heart-change but also the power for ongoing life change. Consequently, the gospel is the power as well for true and lasting social and cultural change.

Here's how you could pray for us specifically over the next two weeks:

- Join us in praising God for his faithfulness to us while we've been on the long and winding road to Northern Kentucky. Since receiving the call to serve as a church planter in May 2006, the confidence I have in myself has steadily decreased. On the other hand, the confidence I have in God and His gospel has steadily increased. Not a bad exchange!
- Ask God to go before us in providing a home from which to serve Him in Northern Kentucky. Also, please continue to pray for the many details regarding our upcoming adoption this summer.

Thanks. Your friendship and prayers are a great help and encouragement to us.

Sincerely,

Lee

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