

THE MISSIONARY MONTHLY

A MESSAGE FROM

Zoller

Greetings to the U.S. Missions family!

I trust we are all becoming more consistent in writing "2016" instead of "2015" on your checks and other documents. (For those of you who still write checks!) The more we see change in the world around us, the more things really do stay the same. There is nothing new under the sun, as the great King Solomon wrote in Ecclesiastes. One thing I am thankful for: God never changes, either. No matter what happens in the world around us, God remains the same.

Be encouraged with these words this month. God is faithful. He has been faithful in times past, and He will continue to be faithful until He returns to take us home. What a glorious thought!

Many of you are facing giants, either in ministry or personally, that are impossible to fight and win on your own. God is faithful. He will show you the path you need to take, and He will fight for you. I am confident in this. God loves you and has called you. He will make the way straight, even though it appears to be twisting in every direction at the moment.

Remember, everyone is important, everyone is significant, and everyone is a blessing.



February Save the Date

- [1-2] Executive Presbytery Meeting
Branson, Missouri
- [1-5] AG Leadership Conference
Branson, Missouri
- [14] Valentine's Day
- [15] Presidents' Day
- [24-26] AGUSM District Leadership Conference
Innisbrook, Florida



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Getting to know . . . Devin Lawley

How long have you been with U.S. Missions? I have been with U.S. Missions for three months.

How long have you been with the national office? I've worked at the national office for one year.

What do you do here in U.S. Missions? I am the administrative assistant to Ramona Edgman.

Tell us about your family. I married the woman of my dreams six months ago. Her name is Ruthie (formerly Lowenberg). Ruthie grew up as an MK in Africa. We both served as missionary associates in Africa, but in different countries.

What is your favorite thing to do when you're not in the office? I love hanging out with my beautiful wife!

What was your favorite game/toy you played with as a child? Any game my brother, sister, and I made up. We loved playing just about any game, and we invented a few of our own.

If you could travel anywhere in the world, where it would be? I would tour Europe. I've never been, but I hope to go someday!



Devin, and his wife, Ruthie

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Updates from U.S. Missions

2016 Standard Mileage Rates. Beginning January 1, 2016, the standard mileage rates for the use of a car, vans, pickups, or panel trucks is as follows:

- 54 cents per mile for business miles driven (down from 57.5 cents for 2015).
- 19 cents per mile driven for medical or moving purposes (down from 23 cents for 2015).
- 14 cents per mile driven in service of charitable organizations.

2016 Prayer Guide. The prayer guide is interactive and online! Due to the decline in requests for a printed version of the prayer guide, we have discontinued the prayer guide in print form, but it lives on at the U.S. Missions Web site (usmissions.ag.org/prayerguide). You can search for a missionary or chaplain (and spouse) by their name, by day, week, or month, and you can download your search. The online prayer guide also connects people to your Web site (if you have one) and your spot on giving.ag.org. Make sure you check it out!