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Dear friends & family,

I want to say, "THANK YOU" to those who responded to our update with financial gifts. Several one-time gifts came in just in time to help us level out at the end of the year and get started on the "right foot" for 2010. There were also some very encouraging calls and e-mails expressing the desire to see CCM continue. Others made special efforts to bless my family at Christmas time. THANK YOU. THANK YOU. THANK YOU.

I am so excited to share the AWESOME activity of God with you! Since our last letter, He has worked in obvious and undeniable ways to show us the next step in ministry! What I am about to share with you is a radical change in the life of my family and a **HUGE STEP in "Igniting the Next Generation for Christ!"**

In July, I was offered the opportunity to multiply my investment in the lives of teenagers. My family, CCM board, and staff have been in prayer since then. God has spoken! Now it's time to follow Him. **On February 25<sup>th</sup>, my family will be moving to West Virginia.** I will be taking a position as "Spiritual Life Director" at a HOME FOR TEENAGERS (Davis-Stuart, Inc). Davis-Stuart ministers to teenagers who have some serious challenges in life. The teens go through a 9 month program, while living in group homes. The students learn the responsibilities of a job, managing a savings account, gardening, taking care of animals, team building through outdoor adventure challenges, academics, music, etc... I will be serving 44 resident teenagers along with 110 staff. To find out more visit [www.Davis-Stuart.org](http://www.Davis-Stuart.org).

Davis-Stuart is allowing me to start part-time so that I can continue to oversee Cross Culture. The GREATEST part is that we will be within 15 minutes of my parents' house. This was a HUGE influence on our decision as we have been seeking God's will about how to help during **my Dad's current battle against Alzheimer's.** GOD HAS ORCHESTRATED THIS in a way that enables me to carry on our ministry while being more available to my parents!

**Cross Culture Ministries will continue moving forward full steam ahead!** My desire is for CCM to stay based in Greensboro. Our board and staff is strong. Each person is committed and faithful to his/her part in growing this mission. Our personnel has never been more unified and prepared to "get the job done." I will continue to fulfill my responsibilities with CCM from WV. I will also continue teaching one day a week at Foothills Christian College. After Spring I will re-evaluate my ability to continue.

Over the next few weeks, I will be meeting with CCM staff & board to solidify our goals for the years ahead. I expect CCM to keep growing. We are investing in a ministry designed to out-live us. This is not a Dale-sized thing. **CCM is a KINGDOM-SIZED THING.** We will need to continue growing our partner base. The move to Davis-Stuart has allowed me to take a significant pay cut for 2010. This will give our ministry great relief and opportunity to recover from a hard year. Through Davis-Stuart, **GOD HAS MADE A WAY FOR US TO CONTINUE IN SPITE OF THE ECONOMY!!!** *(continued on next page)*

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**This move will also help the JAMAICA MISSION TO GROW.** Housing will be provided by Davis-Stuart, allowing us to keep our house in Greensboro. As we prayed about what to do, we thought...hmmm...we could rent it and make money. But God reminded us how He has used the generosity of Christians to provide all of our needs! So we are making our house available to Missionary/Pastor Daniel Rice for a season. Currently he is bi-vocational pastor at Northeast Baptist Church, McLeansville, NC. Daniel is taking up his father's mantle of overseeing the details of the Jamaica mission. The house in Greensboro will provide him the freedom to invest more time into the Jamaica mission while serving as pastor of Northeast and board member of CCM.

I hope you can see many of the ways God is using this move to multiply our ministry. Please know that **we need our financial partners to stay the course.** **GOD IS NOT FINISHED WITH US YET!** There will be more updates to come. Meanwhile, we would love to hear your response, feedback, and thoughts concerning this transition in our ministry. God bless you in undeniable ways today.

His servant,

Brother Dale