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BONHAM & KINES FAMILIES  
*Missionaries to Colombia*



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## The PAST Few Months... by the numbers...

When we are back home in Madison, MS, our friends are always asking what we have been up to. Not many people realize what a missionary does while they are raising support. So we thought we would share. Here is what we have been doing, by the numbers, since January.

- **19** - how many different churches we have visited for worship (*also the same number of Sundays since Jan 22*)
- **13** - how many missions conferences we have been a part of
- **400+** - how many informational packets we have assembled (*including DVDs burned one at a time*)
- **6,000** - how many miles we have driven to visit churches (*that is like driving from New York to Los Angeles, TWICE*)
- **1,000,000** - how many times it has felt like we have eaten fast food
- **6,500** - how many additional miles we have flown (*including our recent trip to Bogota*)
- **Countless** - the number of times we have been brought to the humbling realization that this whole thing is entirely dependent upon the work of the Holy Spirit no matter what we do or fail to do.

The irony of everything is that we are actually looking forward to moving to Colombia for life to become "normal" again, as strange as that may sound. As this season of support-raising comes to an end, we look back and see a very tiring time, but one that has blessed us and taught us more than we could have imagined. **One thing we have learned is that our mission has already begun, even before we set foot in Colombia. Our mission has been to see churches long to see the gospel of Jesus Christ advance through every tribe, tongue and nation.** But this is not unique for us. Please pray for all the other countless missionaries out there who are laboring to get to the mission field as you pray for us.

## The NEXT Few Months... by the numbers...

Now that you know what the past several months have looked like, here is what the next few months have in store for us, Lord-willing:

- **32** - How many days we will spend in New York City for Cross-Cultural Ministry Internship (CCMI) in July. This is our last bit of pre-departure missions training. We will be working with a church of an immigrant population to learn how to ministry cross-culturally. Stay tuned to next month's newsletter for more insight into this.
- **22** - percentage of our monthly support we need to raise before we can leave
- **92** - how many days remain until we hope to leave for Colombia (pending support)
- **34** - number of items we have to complete on our MTW pre-departure checklist
- **15** - how many duffel bags we have to fit everything into that we are going to take with us and selling everything else
- **1** - number of houses we need to sell ASAP!

As you can see, we have a lot to do over the next few months as we prepare to go to Colombia. We wouldn't be where we are today without the faithful support of our ministry partners. We remain deeply grateful for those who have sacrificed much of themselves to get us here!

## NOTICE: Very Important

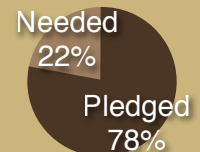
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For more information, visit [www.CrossCollaboration.org](http://www.CrossCollaboration.org)

## What are we doing?

In a nutshell: Our two families will be serving as missionaries with [Mission to the World](http://Mission to the World). We will be serving with the missionary team in Colombia for two years to be trained in language, culture, and cross-cultural ministry. After two years, we will move to a to-be-determined Latin-American country to plant churches where the gospel has not taken root.

## Support Status



Tax-deductible donations may be sent to:

Mission to the World  
PO Box 116284  
Lawrenceville, GA 30368

Note in the memo line:  
10788 Bonham, 14043 Kines

For other ways to give, visit [www.CrossCollaboration.org/partner-with-us/](http://www.CrossCollaboration.org/partner-with-us/)

## Please Pray For...

1. the sale of the Kines' house in Madison.
2. approval of religious visas for working in Colombia.
3. individuals to financially partner with us MONTHLY.
4. our preparations for CCMI in New York City for July.

## Upcoming Events:

- **June 3** - First Presbyterian Church, Louisville, MS
- **June 12-13** - Apprenticeship Team Training, Chatt., TN
- **July 1-31** - CCMI Training, New York City, NY
- **August** - Target date to go to Colombia