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IT'S ALWAYS TIME FOR THANKSGIVING

As Americans, we are used to setting aside the third Thursday every November for giving thanks. But as Christians, we should be thankful year round!

Eph. 19b—20 Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I Thess. 5:18 Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

For example, we just returned from the South Padre Island Weekend to Remember® Getaway. Not only did we have the opportunity to share FamilyLife® Spanish resources with seminary students from various Spanish-speaking countries around the world, we also witnessed God do some of His amazing work at the getaway. We are thankful that we get to be a part of what He does, and we are thankful that you make it possible!

Take a glance at these comments to get an idea of what He accomplished this past week-end.

It has showed me the areas where I was slacking and inspired me to be the best man, husband, and dad I can be in the Lord. I was focused on bringing in the bread to the table, fixing, providing for the materialistic needs, but I was forgetting what is more important: spiritual nourishment for my family and myself. Husband, married 5 years

I have seen the light. We invest in our hobbies and careers, but our marriage is so much more important. Christianity is one generation away from extinction. We need to leave a godly legacy for the Christian faith and institution of marriage. Husband, married 19 years

We are grateful for the opportunities that God gives us to thank Him. Two instances are the open door to the students at the seminary and a ringside seat to witness some of His amazing work. And we have many more opportunities to thank Him because of you! As we write to this newsletter, we can wholeheartedly agree with the Apostle Paul as he wrote to the Philippians in chapter one:

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, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

Have a blessed and joyous Thanksgiving!

EVER THINE HOME 2017

Barbara and her team have done it again! Their creativity is practically flowing off of the pages of the recently released Winter catalog. These beautiful items are meant to decorate your home and give you an opportunity to share Jesus with all who visit.

<https://everthinehome.com/wintercatalog/>

I'm in love with this tree skirt! But we bought a new one when we moved to Arkansas in 2013. Do you think Scott would notice if I replaced it with this one? Maybe if you don't tell him, he won't know!



Prayer Requests

- Please pray for us as we endeavor to positively influence our sons
- Please pray that we continue to focus on knowing Christ and making Him known!
- Please pray that we will trust Him to meet our needs

Give Thanks!

We don't want this time of year to pass without taking the opportunity to thank you once again for your prayers and financial support. You are part of God's work. We are thankful for you!

