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Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift! (II Cor. 9:15)

Dear Friends,



God sent His only Son into our world as one of us, to lead us to the salvation He provided for us. How blessed we are, to be adopted into His family! We are also blessed to be entrusted with the Good News to share with others. We can be thankful for so many things, including friends and family and a purpose in life.

The Gullah people are thankful to have God's Word available to them in their language. As of November 12, the Gullah New Testament has been in print and available to the public for a year, and already it is in its third printing! The first printing of 10,000 copies sold out in the first six months. The second printing of 6,000 also sold out quickly, so by the time it had been in print for ten months the Gullah New Testament was in its third printing of another 10,000 copies. In early 2007 we will be cooperating with the American Bible Society on a study to help decide whether we should continue with Gullah by working on a translation of the Old Testament.

This will be our first Christmas without Mark at home, as he will continue teaching English in Qingdao, China, through next summer. Kimberly will be home for her semester break from the University of North Carolina, and Michael is still at home as an active high school junior. We appreciate having my parents and other family nearby, and being able to visit with Lynn's parents and sisters.

We count it a privilege to be able to participate in this Bible translation ministry, because we know it is so important and

appreciated. Thank you so much for your prayers, encouragement and financial support enabling us to serve. May the Lord bless you as you have been a blessing to us!

David and Lynn

Please praise God with us that:

- The Gullah NT is on its third printing in just one year!
- Plans are underway to record the Gullah New Testament in 2007.
- Our support level is getting closer to what it is supposed to be.

Please pray that:

- We will have opportunities to communicate with potential supporters about our ministry.
- Our support level will increase by an additional \$650/month so we can resume full-time work.
- God will lead concerning the possibility of translating the Old Testament into Gullah.



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