

# Cinereski Family

## *The Port Of Mobile*

Dear Pastor and Saints,

We are pleased to send out our first prayer letter. The Bible says in Proverbs 27:1, “Boast not thyself of to morrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.” After sixteen years of assistant pastoring and pastoring, it is certainly different being on this side of the letter. We are grateful for the opportunity the Lord has given us to serve at the Port of Mobile, and Lord willing, we plan to send updates every other month to keep you informed of what the Lord is doing.

### **Details of Deputation**

Over the past few months, the Lord has allowed us to be in many good churches, and we are thankful for each one. Each church has shown genuine kindness and hospitality, and we are grateful. I am amazed at the love and generosity of the body of Christ. “But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly, that now... your care of me hath flourished...” (Philippians 4:10). We are also very thankful for the traveling mercies that the Lord has given us. We ask that you continue to pray with us that the Lord would give us good meetings and traveling safety.

### **Down at the Docks**

Over the past few months, I have been able to go at least one day each week, and some weeks two. As we raise additional support, the goal is to increase that time until we are serving there full time. We praise the Lord for all He is doing at the Port. We have had a number of meaningful conversations, passed out much literature, and have had multiple onboard services where we saw good attendance and great attention given to the preaching of God’s Word. We are trusting the Lord to continue opening doors. I am always amazed at the great opportunity we have to give the gospel to seafarers from all over the world. So far, even in this short time I have been able to go to the Port, I have personally come into contact with 23 different countries. Praise the Lord! Pray that the seed of the gospel would fall on good ground.

We are currently working to establish our 501(c)(3), and we ask the Lord to guide that process. In addition, please pray that the harbor master would look favorably upon the ministry, recognizing us under our new ministry name, “Lower Lights Ministries.”

### **Domestic Developments**

On the home front, we are especially thankful for the many prayers that have been offered for our family—particularly for our son, Elijah. In his short 16 months, he has already undergone three surgeries, the most recent being this past February. We are grateful to report that his recovery has been strong and he is doing very well. He will begin speech therapy soon, which will be twice a week. Please keep him in your prayers as he grows and develops.

I will end with this: as the song goes, “To God be the Glory, great things He hath done.” When Elijah was born, he required an extended NICU stay, followed by numerous doctor visits and, as many of you know, multiple surgeries. Naturally, this brought with it significant medical expenses that we were not able to cover on our own. We are grateful that the Lord knows our needs before we ask. Through His provision, two churches stepped in to take care of Elijah’s entire medical debt. This has been a huge burden lifted from our family’s shoulders. I want to publicly thank the Lord and those churches for meeting that need. We are deeply grateful for your continued prayers, love, and support.

With love in Christ,  
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