



# Paraclete Ministries Newsletter

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## This years Theme Verse

*Commit your ways to the Lord, trust also in Him, and He will bring it to Pass. Psalm 37:5*

## Meet the Family 2019



**Wow! This is the family (no great grands yet)!**

So Let's begin: This time we creatively grouped them by married couples;

*Back row left:* Mark & Nichole Wheatley / Eric & Andra Wheatley / Jack & Joy Beckman / Jeff & Rachel Keller / Aaron & Brynn Wheatley / Mathias & Kendra Duevel

*Seated row:* Raeann (W) Faith (B) Yvonne (holding Lucee) Jeffery (K) Gretchen, Wes, Braden & Connor (W)

*Front row:* Sophia (K) (plus Therapy Dog Lola) Xander (W) Joshua (B) Landon (K)

## The Theme Verse:...and He will bring it to pass

Both Gretchen and I are rejoicing on her recovery from the stroke in measured changes. We still have difficulty going to events in that sounds and lights and movement wears Gretchen down and she gets depleted. We then retreat back to our comfortable resting spot on the sofa and recover. It takes a least a half day or

more for her brain to recharge. In April we traveled to visit Gretchen's brother Dave and sister-in-law Sue in Illinois. We planned it to spend two days traveling there and it worked very well. The get-away and visiting with them was wonderful. Over the holidays we enjoyed special times with our family, a Ballet, Choir concert and the Como Conservatory. We are noticing that when Gretchen plays the piano it takes excess energy out of her but she is still gifted in that area.

I have had a difficult time in that my desire to teach and do ministry in these later years thru Paraclete has not happened as I hoped it would. I realize the need to start cleaning up and releasing sections of the 30 years of teachings and files that were so meaningful to me during my outreach events; stored moments that helped shape me and the ministry. Now I need to say good bye. This is a very painful time for me. It is like obtaining a great collection of great looking pens collected thru the years at important hi points of life and now most of them are dry and worthless. What do you do with them except throw them away?

Your prayers and continual lifting us up to the Lord has been powerful. Your financial support has kept us sustained and has allowed us to be at rest as we are in this new stage of life. We believe we have been faithful followers of the call that God gave us thru Paraclete Ministries. God has allowed us to touch many souls and as we start the last phases of our life Gretchen and I are spending more time sharing with and loving each other. A lot of good conversations and laughter have come forth between us. We read books, share article stories and the Bible with each other. We play a lot of cards and board games and have resolved some old wounds.

We have laid before the Lord our lives and our future. 2018 has turned out to be one of the best years of our married lives. We have committed our selves to the Lord. We trust in Him and He has drawn us closer to Himself. Thank you all for supporting us and our lives in the Lord. It truly has been a great year!

### *What has and is to come!*

- ◆ God has opened the door for me to be a part time school bus driver.
- ◆ God has used me for some occasional prayer ministry times.
- ◆ The Tuesday night men's meeting is going well at our home in Bloomington.
- ◆ Continue to be active on the board for "Fishing for Life"



**As Valentines quickly approaches we want to share with you a loving and grateful thank you for all your concern.**

***Blessings to you and your families.!***

#### **Prayer Requests**

- That God would protect and watch over our troops around the world as they faithfully fulfill their duties.
- That our missionaries who are

called and sent by God would be safe as they proclaim the love of Jesus to the World.

- That the new governing officials of Minnesota would work in harmony to fulfill their duties..

#### **We praise God for**

- Healthy relationships, healing bodies and renewing of souls.
- The opening of doors for our ministry
- The Greatest Valentine is Jesus
- We rejoice that we have a faithful Board of Directors, loving family and all of you supporting and surrounding us during this time.

