



Many have inquired about our safety during this volcanic eruption that started on the 21st of March this year. The eruption (photo left) can be seen from where I live; it is a 15-minute drive to the volcano. I haven't gone out to see it in person yet. It has constantly been erupting since the 21st of March. Yesterday, the 10th of May, was the highest spout of magma, reaching over ¼ mile into the sky (see photo below). For the present, all populated areas seem safe from this eruption; however, the scientists are cautiously optimistic and have developed evacuation plans for all eight towns on our peninsula. Thank you, as always, for praying for our safety. **Weekly Ministry:** We had a great day on Thursday, the 6th of Mayth as well as on Sunday, the 9th of Mayth in all four of our ministry groups. Thursday Bible study had just under 20 in attendance. Vicki teaches the women, and I teach the men. After Bible study from 5-6 pm, we read the Bible together from 6 – 6:30. Sunday **English service** had a visitor, and we were about 40 in number. There was a sweet spirit. Those attending are saved and baptized believers, most reached in our ministry; however, some came to us saved and looking for a church. The English ministry is mostly adults with few children. The bus ministry to **Icelandic-speaking** children and teens saw a full house of over 40 also! The **Icelandic adult** service was the least attended with only 2. So, all in all, it was a great week of ministry. The photo left shows two blessings working now with us in the ministry in Iceland. One (Faith, the lady in a mask in the photo left) is a nurse who moved from the Philippines and will be with us in Iceland for the foreseeable future! The other lady next to her is also from the Philippines and will be working for one year. She plays the piano! She is a solid Christian and has already been such a blessing to the church. The photo left shows them helping in the bus ministry on Sunday. The photo right shows a new child, in red, going home from church. He is a pre-schooler and was so happy to come to church with his big sister. The mini-bus holds 18 passengers. The bus is being used very much to transport children who have parents that will not attend church. Thank you for praying for our weekly ministries.



Summer outreach ministry: On the 23rd of May, we will be having a mini carnival at the church to encourage parents to come to church with their kids and see what we are doing. Thank you for praying for this important day as we seek open doors and hearts to sow the Word of God. August, this summer, will mark our **22nd year serving in Iceland**. July marks our **25th year of being married**. Because we have summer outreach and painting of roofs to do this summer, Vicki and I snuck away a little early to celebrate our 25th wedding anniversary. We were also able to spend nine days with our sending church and have a sweet reviving time with pastor Hawtree while serving each day with Kerwin Baptist Church. Vicki and I really needed a little breather from the front lines in Iceland. It was such a short trip that I did not visit our churches. Vicki and I had a good time focusing on being a couple. We also had a very refreshing time reconnecting with our dear sending church members and pastoral staff. Thank you for praying for us as we continue to serve Jesus in Iceland as the only Baptist Missionaries in the country. Thank you!



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