Brock Update Fall 2014

Dear Partners and Friends,

A day hardly goes by that we don't hold you up in thanksgiving. It feels like we've been on a communications fast, yet God has been working in us all according to His pleasure!

We returned from the Northeast in August where we ministered in 2 churches, a home & a HOP, worshiping in "the NJ/NYC gate." This seemed to bring closure to our Middle East (ME) tour last year. By divine appointment we reunited with the co-director of the Izmir (Turkey) House of Prayer, who arranged an opportunity to minister at a key Korean church/House of Prayer (HOP). We trained youth in worship & music using drum-circle techniques to teach spontaneous singing—combining scriptures with prayer. At one point we felt 3 "breaker" waves of God's glory—which we also felt corresponded to the Isaiah Highway Nations & the current crisis in Israel, Syria & Iraq. We are sensing with others in the ME that Isaiah 19 is being fulfilled before our eyes. Just as Egypt was a prayer target, now Iraq (in addition to Syria/Turkey) are to be intensified prayer targets with a view that God is orchestrating a revival that will dwarf all revivals! It will cause Israel to be a light to the Nations, Egypt His people and Assyria His handiwork (See Isaiah 19 & 60).

We celebrate our 10th Year of full time service by launching a huge update to our brocksupperroom.org website (way to go JSB!) We hope you can use this resource for soaking & prayer. (Includes a variety of soaking instrumental & scripture tracks, outreach updates, scripture/animations, a Blog of Prayer Room Thoughts & key biblical teachings) (See featured message spoken at the Malta HOP: 'Prophetic Worship, The Foundation for Apostolic Cities of Refuge.')

This has been a very busy re-entry year for us. After finding our family "norm" we've been in a very fruitful time of ministry, in Fort Mill, SC (near Charlotte NC) in the region of MorningStar (MS) Church. Here are a few bullets of our Spring and Summer highlights:

April—May

Tim, Melody & Samuel taught a 3-Way music class to middle & high-schoolers at the MorningStar K-12 Comenius School for Creative Leadership (CSCL). We combined music foundations with principles of worship while teaching 3 instruments (piano, guitar & percussion). Samuel also helped teach the technology segment. By the end of the 7 weeks, the class, (some total beginners) were playing their own worship song progressions as a team, providing a 1-2 hour set of spontaneous worship for classmates.

Other Summer Ministry Highlights (June—July)

- To raise support for music training, Joshua Samuel (JSB) gave 2 Benefit Recitals, playing classical, jazz, fiddle, turkish and worship selections for the local communities of Fort Mill (Upper Room Chapel) and Kansas City (Bethel Academy), which included his students, friends & family playing the Bach Double Concerto, spontaneous worship with the local youth & Spain(ish) jazz!
- We lead 3 worship services at Longs Chapel UMC in Waynesville NC and then
 played at the Soul Feast Conference at Lake Junaluska (UMC NC Retreat Center).
 This conference is hosted by The Upper Room ministry based in Nashville, who
 has now invited us to minister at their Nashville headquarters 4 blocks from
 Samuel's music school (Belmont University, Nashville TN).

Family Highlights

- Mom & Dad Brock's 60th Anniversary was a big event this year! They celebrated with my dad's siblings in Florida and then with us as family at a country gathering (graciously hosted by Tim's sister & husband at their cabin) a wonderful time of sharing music, food and memories in the mountains of North Carolina. We honor their legacy and thank God for every chance to be with them.
- Samuel is now studying commercial violin at Belmont U, where he is refining his skill in response to his musicianary calling (Thank you to those who have so freely sown!!)
- John, who was voted to be CSCL Chaplain for his senior year, taught youth at a
 Christian Sports Camp this summer. He's been working out with a trainer and is
 now in his senior year of football as a running back for the Carolina Crusaders
 (State Champs for over 3 years!). He is devoting himself for college scholarship.
- Stephen has found his soccer legs! His spring rec league team was just short of the championship—after being undefeated all season. He did his first jazz camp as a drummer (his passion) and has just joined the Charlotte Symphony Youth Orchestra (2nd violin section). At CSCL, he was Scholar Athlete of the Year!
- Joseph continues to focus on the Cello and did really well in his first Jazz camp & Acorn Acres Strings camp. After a great soccer spring, he's doing tackle football!

10 BUR Ministry Activities in our "Carolina" Region this Fall & Coming Year (while we wait to deploy back to the Middle East as early as Summer of 2015):

- Teach children & youth Suzuki violin (Melody is teaching elementary and high-school (HS) students, including Suzuki violin parent training, & foundation keyboard classes.
- Volunteer teaching 11th & 2nd graders. (This academic year, Tim is teaching a CSCL Bible class & Mel is teaching 2nd grade Phonics)
- 3. Volunteer teaching middle & HS Foundations in Music & Worship (Tim & Mel will teach another 3-Way [piano, guitar & percussion] class this Spring at CSCL)
- 4. Teach Dads how to lead their families in worship & prayer (Tim's teaching several dads how to play and lead family worship from guitar)
- Continue to host weekly (Sat) Music & Prayer Watches at our home with a local (growing) prayer community (God showed us that there would be cross pollination of seasoned "seer' intercessors with the "fiery" youth)
- 6. Daily Family Harp & Bowl (H&B) and recording new (family) sounds for soaking prayer and for encouraging families in the community to worship & pray together.
- 7. Continue to pour into our sons, encouraging and equipping them to grow in leadership/character & skill—while continuing daily H&B.
- 8. Outreach in the local (Charlotte) music scene, to classical & jazz communities, and other venues/ restaurants through our sons (and family) music. (Charlotte Symphony Youth Orchestra [CSYO], Jazz Arts Initiative [JAI] and Café Monte etc.)
- Train Morning Star (MS) saints & Univ students in the Heart of Worship (Tabernacle of David) and modeling Harp & Bowl team worship as a family for activating monthly 24 hour "Burns" at Morning Star (MS).
- Be part of an intercession leadership team at MS to help birth 24/7 worship at our translocal church (MS) & in the old PTL region. (Tim & Mel were recently ordained as Deacons at MS)

Personal Thoughts From the Prayer Room

As I was reflecting on God's faithfulness over the last 10 years—(while in a moment of weakness, struggling with the ongoing challenges of living by prayer day to day that can weary us if we let it)—Jesus spoke clearly to me from Deut 8:3: "And He humbled you and let you be hungry, and fed you with manna which you did not know, nor did your father's know, that He might make you understand that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by *everything* that proceeds out of the mouth of the Lord." (NASB) Then I instantly knew that He was there, that we were in His will & timing, and that I was to devote myself to His word for this transition period leading into the Fall Feasts. (Rosh Ha Shanna - Wed eve of Sept 24, Yom Kippur - Fri eve Oct 3, Succot - Wed eve Oct 8). BTB, BUR, Ft Mill, SC 9.10.14