

Dear Friends,

Before I was old enough to know what a missionary was, my parents took my sisters and me to visit Dr. Perry Rawson and his wife, Marjorie, in their home. The Rawsons were missionaries to Burundi and their home was filled with all kinds of African treasures because they had lived in the mission field for many years. I was in awe of the many wooden bowls and animal-shaped carvings. I remember sitting on animal skins draped over their sofa and playing gently with large drums that were throughout the house.

It was sitting in the Rawsons' living room, hearing their stories, that I developed a love for Africa and the spark within me to become a missionary grew. While I'm not working "in the field," I've come to understand my work at FUM as a call to serve those who have been called to the field. And it is with great honor that I do so.

Like Dr. Perry and Marjorie Rawson, the Friends United Meeting field staff are committed, hard-working, dedicated people who have given their lives in service to God. They are a special kind of people with real needs and concerns just as you and I have. Their cultural setting may make their needs a bit outside our understanding, but know that they rely heavily on their deep commitment to God, in-country relationships, and Friends back home who support them. **Your prayers and financial support are a tremendous encouragement and affirmation of their call to ministry.**



Sam and Becky Barber with children Robert, Katie, Kristy, and Kassie



This season I'm asking you to put **Sam and Becky Barber, Eden Grace, Ann Riggs, and Joyce Ajlouny** on your Christmas list. These men and women and their families are called to serve God in Belize, Kenya, and Ramallah, and we have the honor of partnering in that ministry by sending them our financial gifts and our prayers. Who knows — your support of our field staff, who will one day return from the field, might be the spark that God uses to call another little girl or boy.

Eden and James Grace with sons Isaiah and Jesse



Blessings,

Terri Johns  
FUM Program Manager



*P.S. Our field staff and their families love to hear from you and to know you are praying for and supporting them. I invite you to include a card or note to any or all field staff in the envelope with your check and I will be glad to forward it on.*

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**Tune in to the ministries of FUM — the channel that energizes and equips Friends through the power of the Holy Spirit to respond to Christ's call to take the Good News to all nations!**

I want to support the work of FUM with my gift of:

- \$\_\_\_\_\_ for Eden Grace and her work at the Africa Ministries Office.
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ for Ann Riggs and her work at Friends Theological College, Kenya.
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ for Sam & Becky Barber and their work at Belize Friends Boys School.
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ for Joyce Ajlouny and her work at the Ramallah Friends Schools.
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ to use where most needed.

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