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## ANNUAL CURRY BRAG RAG



### Crown me!

"Children's children are the crown of old men..." —Prov. 17:6

Welcome to the annual Curry brag rag edition #35!

Can it really be 35 years since we started this Kingdom adventure called Light Ministries? My mind has doubts, but my body sweeps those doubts away. You, our faithful friends and partners, are the reason we have been able to

If it can be done outdoors, the Curry's are all in. Fishing, hunting, water, mud, fun!

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have such a "long obedience in the same direction." Thank you for your partnership and love. And, thank you for loving us, the Curry family...not, just what we **do.** 

Each year I press pause on my ministry updates and reporting to give you a glimpse into the Curry family. As time passes and the family grows, there is so much to tell. We could summarize this writing with my favorite statement —*the favor of God!* 

Somehow along the way, God instilled a spirit of celebration in our family. If someone has a big event, the "fam" is there to support and encourage. There is no substitute for the love and support of family. God is so good to give us hearts for one another. You can see it in the photo below as we celebrate Carson's first homecoming court. We get to live in a state of rich natural beauty. We spend as many days as possible outdoors (together) in God's masterpiece.

Chris, Chassity, Caleb and Lily made the move to Benton, AR. and their new home this year. Chris continues to serve as head baseball coach at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. Coaching during Covid has been quite a challenge. Chris amazes me with his quiet resolve to push forward regardless of the circumstances. Caleb is still my constant hunting companion, and Lily is my ready tutor in understanding all things "little girl." I love how Chris' family loves God and each other. The eldest son fills his role well.

*Jason, Courtney, Carson, and Cameron* continue their life and ministry in Little Rock. Jason just completed 15 years of ministry at The Church at Rock Creek as well as overseeing his expanding ministry with Finish Empty Ministries.



Jason is my favorite preacher.

Jason's commitment to the Gospel of Grace is a blessing to me and all who hear him preach.

# Get out!







When God puts you in the middle of mountains, lakes, and streams you have to embrace His gift.

Lily's pose above captures my heart for the outdoors.

The hills are alive, with the sound of... *Currys!* 

#### If I could preach like Jason, I would!

I love watching Carson and Cameron become young ladies. Our conversations have changed. They are a bit deeper and more complex. But, our love and desire to spend time together has only grown. My heart smiled when these two cheerleaders rejoined papaw in the deer stand this season. And somehow, Courtney keeps smiling and giving away grace in this God-serving, fast-paced household.

*Josh, Brittany, and Beauregard (Beau)* are our new neighbors! With our recent move to Hot Springs, Beau makes regular appearances at the house after preschool days. Beau's imagination is limitless. To say Beau has mama smitten would be the understatement of the year. Mamaw loves all the grandkids, but having raised three sons there is a special twinkle in her eye for little boys.

Dr. Curry (Brittany) continues to grow her successful orthodontic practice, while Josh has added an artistic/craftsman piece to the family that we did not know was "under his hood." Josh is custom



painting/designing some of the most impressive bass lures I have ever seen. Several on the professional circuit are using his lures, and my tackle box has swelled with some new lunker bass temptations. It's good to "know a guy."

Love, laughter, and the lake are the triangle that Josh's clan flourishes from.

**Teresa and I** are loving life in our new (to us) home in Hot Springs. Being close to all three sets of kids and living in the center of the lakes and mountains of Arkansas is a blessing only God could have orchestrated.

Teresa paid a price for the move. Rheumatoid Arthritis is her daily companion, but certainly no friend. Most don't even know Teresa's physical struggles. Strength and grace coupled with deep Southern belle strength camouflage pain and fatigue well. Teresa lives by our mantra: <u>Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.</u> Watching her maximize every healthy day is a model and challenge to me.

My health remains strong. No heart issues. No fatigue. Just a preacher with a lot of unpreached sermons waiting for the starting gun to rejoin my international travel schedule. The unwelcome reprieve in travel was a gift for

me to make the move, minister to Teresa, and remember what a gift the ministry of preaching is.

Thank you for loving and praying for our family.

## Merry Christmas from the Currys.



This month's content may have been about our family, but our focus remains the Kingdom work in East Africa and here in America. As you pray for the Curry family remember the common bond we have in Christ and His call on our lives to "GO!"

WE CAN'T GO WITHOUT YOU SENDING.

## **KENYA WISH LIST**

## \$34,273—MATCHING GIFT FOR MT. ELGON CONSTRUCTION COMPLETION.

God has provided \$40,727 through you toward meeting our goal of the \$75,000 matching gift given toward the new kitchen at the Mt. Elgon Training Center. **CHECK YOUR ACCOUNTS**—perhaps God deposited the balance in your account?

- **\$5,000** Finish furnishing the dormitory at Mt. Elgon. (Was \$10,000. God provided 1/2).
- **\$1,000** Monthly budget for new training center in Kenyanyana. (new training center for bush pastors/church planters led by Pastor Christiano).
- **\$8,150** Mike's return to Kenya. Hopefully, within the next 45 days. **(\$1,350 provided)**
- \$8,825 Christmas bonuses for our pastors and overseers

"...you should always pray and never give up."

Jesus, Luke 18:1