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Dear Pastor Hurst,

The other day we were talking about the work that began in Albania so many years ago, and my son-in-law said to me, "There are no ex-Marines." As you know, Marines take their commitments very seriously, and while one may be a retired Marine, he still always considers himself a Marine for the rest of his life. I think being a missionary works the same way.

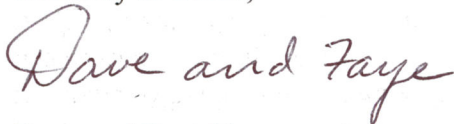
Even though Faye and I had to leave the mission field for health reasons, our hearts are still there. We are no longer able to serve there as we once did, but we continue to pray diligently for the people and the work in Albania. In September this year the people of the New Hope Baptist Church in Tirana, Albania will celebrate their 20th anniversary. It is hard for me to believe that this much time has passed! The Apostle John wrote, "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth." (3 John 4). We are so thankful for those we knew there and those who have been reached through the continuing work since we returned to the states.

We have had a major change in our life recently that I wanted you to know about. We moved from West Virginia to Oklahoma to be near our daughter and her family. Both Faye and I were born in Oklahoma, so this represents a homecoming of sorts for us. Having family close by has already been a real help to us at this stage of our lives.

I wanted to take this opportunity to make sure that you know how much it means to us that you have continued your financial support. So many friends stood with us in the ministry during the years we were in Albania, and we give thanks for every one who supported us in the work there. But it is a special blessing to us right now to have your help.

Thank you again for supporting us as your missionaries. It is a privilege and a blessing to have such faithful friends. We give thanks to God for you and pray for you often. May He richly bless the work that you are doing for Him.

Sincerely in Christ,



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