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A lot has happened since our last update! Here are a few blessings.

- Teaching the Bible to Children enjoyed a strong online response with 42 students. Alongside of our students in Alberta, we had students from other Canadian provinces, the US, South Africa, Poland, Singapore, the Philippines, and Myanmar.
- Dr. Alan Patterson joined as adjunct faculty this semester teaching classes on missions. One brother commented, “Missions is consuming my mind these days.” Pray that God will complete and extend these really good desires.
- We bought a home a short bike ride from the college. God put us in sight of a mosque and next-door to an imam with his homeschool family of four children our children’s age. Would you pray for their salvation?

That brings us to the months ahead. Would you pray for these upcoming opportunities?

- We are offering a new class—Preparation for Ordination—with a goal of helping mature men transition into ministry. We limited the class to a cohort of 10, and the class is already nearly full.
- Our other classes include a Elementary Greek II, The Big Picture Story of Scripture, and Anchored Hearts: the Christian View of Emotions. We will also offer two asynchronous online courses—New Testament Theology, and The Great Questions of Christianity.
- The most remarkable progress for Foundation is the completed application process for accreditation. Cost has been the biggest barrier to moving forward. The board set a goal of raising the first 3-4 years of fees. This December we were amazed and delighted to receive the full funding and all of it from supporters within Alberta. This allowed us to formally file to begin the process last month.

### Would you pray for the following?

- Pray that our initial application can be accepted soon so that we can begin.
- Pray that we can achieve all of the requirements for accreditation and keep up with the added workload.
- Pray for the upcoming semester that God will continue His work in the hearts of men preparing for ministry—particularly in the ordination class.
- Pray that God will guide and protect the churches we serve in Edmonton and beyond, that these churches will flourish, making faithful disciples and seeing new converts.

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An advertisement for a program titled "PREPARING for ORDINATION". The text is in red and black. It says "Join a focused, 10-week online program designed to equip men for ordination. Each week for 10 weeks we will:" followed by two bullet points: "• Write your personal statement on a doctrine" and "• Practice typical ordination questions on that doctrine". Below that, it says "By the end of the course, you should" followed by three numbered points: "1. Complete your statement of faith", "2. Gain a deeper understanding of each core doctrine", and "3. Be better prepared for ordination questioning". There is a QR code, a small photo of a man (Joel Arnold), and text that says "Cohort Limited to 10 Men Fully Online \$210 for 1 Credit". The logo for "FOUNDATION PARTIAL COLLEGE" is in the top right corner.