

 **Churches, Changes, and a Heavy Metal Band**

 The month of February was has been nonstop presentations and seeking support. Some of the highlights are talking with many of the Mango team members who are in the USA on furlough or prefield, meeting a conspiracy theorist from Roswell, implying during a presentation that I wasn't a Baptist, and giving Twelve church presentations and numerous one-on-one meetings. This is what filled the bulk of my three weeks in Idaho. (And also an all too short trip to visit some great friends in Seattle.) What a blessing to be able to share God's mission with so many people. It is both refreshing and encouraging to see many people (especially computer nerds) realize that they need not relegate themselves to state-side senders but can be directly involved on the mission field even in remote third world. Any computer person will tell you that no one can know everything there is to know; we rely on each other's specializations. Just as importantly are those nontechnical people who allow God to propel His mission through them whether through financial giving, prayer, or resources. We are a team; God's body.

 Before I went to this conference my support level was at 53%. It is now at 26%. Before you stop reading because you think I've gone crazy keep reading...

 I did promise to also mention something about a band... so here it goes. After returning from Idaho I presented Bethany with a ring and asked if she would marry me. She, of course, said yes. That wasn't the heavy metal band you were expecting? (Gold is a heavy metal.) This is way better anyway, right? She plans to work at the hospital in Mango as a nurse. During the next months we will be planning the wedding and discussing what our ministry will look like. Details will be forthcoming at a later time when plans are confirmed. This is an exciting time.

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Support Level

26%

Prayer Requests

For individual and church financial partners

For Bethany and I as we develop our ministry together.

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 **Teaching...**

 **Connecting...**

 **Directing...**

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