



EMRA EXPRESSIONS

Sheryl and I have been missionaries for 35 years. We went to Honduras because that is where (we thought) God wanted us to go. After one term there we felt God leading us to minister in Los Angeles.

Through the years we did our best to follow what we thought God was saying to us about where we would be living, who we should be ministering to and how we could minister to them.

Along the way we have learned some things about listening to God.

We have been asking Him to allow us to move to Texas for seven years. Liam, our first grandchild was born seven years ago. Grandchildren can be a strong draw for grandparents; Liam, and then David, have been for us. But as we were praying we were asking God to "let us know what Your will is for our lives". And always Sheryl and I would feel like God was saying "not now".

About a year ago we felt God saying "start making plans".

Last month God said "now".

This is what happened to us - but I think it illustrates a larger point:

- God will allow us to follow our heart. He knows it is our hearts desire to be closer to Liam and David and He is allowing that to happen.
- God does not always work on our time table. Sometimes it takes years for all the pieces to fit into place so the move we want to make can benefit others.
- God will let us know when it is time - but He won't give Sheryl and me different time tables. We use each other as a check and balance system to make sure we are hearing God and not just following our feelings.

We are now in England. This will be a great time of re-connecting with John and Sally and promoting Life Is Full Of Choices among a new people group.

Pray that the Life Is Full Of Choices Conference on March 28 would be well attended and we would see God at work in an increasingly secular country.

We will be moving to Texas June 1st. Thank you for your continued ministry support and your prayers during this time of transition!

In His grip,

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