

# Kilcup Family Update



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Friends and Family,

It has been sufficiently long enough since our first Kilcup Family Update to send another your way! Much has happened since last October for both our family and ministry.

Adventure. That's the best way to sum it up.

**Well-Water Adventures:** We moved into a rental in the country just before Thanksgiving (address below). Trouble was, the well had already begun to run dry when we moved in, so the next month involved limited water use and laundry. The kids are resilient, so we simply embraced the adventure until the well was fracked and the silt dissipated a week later. At this point, the house is scrubbed, the boxes are unpacked, and we can use water freely. I told the kiddos that they almost had to fetch water from Middle Creek in back of the house, which would have embraced rustic Lancaster County living for sure!



**Travel Adventures:** I've been able to attend strategically-selected conferences since October, which allows for networking, connecting with old college relationships, and promotion of the BVI ministry. Since November, BVI has participated in conferences and fellowships in Michigan, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Florida. In every single event I met people who said "I knew your brother!" I wonder which is more memorable... the name 'Kilcup' or the personalities that accompany them?

**The Adventure Continues:** BVI celebrated 60 years at our banquet in late October. While much has been accomplished in the past, we have many exciting plans for the future! **Voyage of Grace** is a community engagement curriculum that was originally created by one of our ministry partners in Saskatchewan, Canada. We have filled out the curriculum to



allow adaptation (VBS or backyard Bible club curriculum) and will be releasing it by late February or early March.

**Teacher Training** continues to be an area of interest among our contacts, yet no ministry we know of has been creating material in the format that most young teachers absorb information: short, to-the-point video. In answer to the need, BVI has begun producing 10 minute videos for churches and missionaries to use in training teachers to "help children see Jesus." You can preview our pilot videos here: <http://biblevisuals.org/training/>



A new publication on the cusp of release is the **David Brainerd story**, which tells of a young missionary to Native Americans whose life, while short, has challenged generations of Christians to give their lives wholly to God.

Rapid-fire stuff: The kids are enrolled in basketball for the first time (we realize now how few rules we taught them before!), our dog despises horse carriages, and we discovered that there are a LOT of alligators at Gatorland in Florida.



If you would prefer to receive these updates as an email instead of snail mail, please let me know via email: [jeff@biblevisuals.org](mailto:jeff@biblevisuals.org) Thank you!

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