

# Emra Expressions

## Loved and Cared For

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As I reminisce about what God has done the past year I see two themes:  
Change and surprise.

- Change in our hearts to move from Los Angeles to Dallas, TX.
- Change by downsizing from a 3 bedroom house to a 36 foot fifth-wheel (including thinning out all the unnecessary “stuff” we really didn’t need).
- Change in climate, (rain, sunshine, cold, hot and humid) different food, (ok, they still sell ice-cream here – who knew!)
- and size of community (5 minutes to local grocery stores)

The surprises have been in the confirmations and the encouragement from so many different individuals about our moving to Dallas.

- CRU (Campus Crusade for Christ) Inner City has been working toward starting the after-school program (called S.A.Y. YES!) in churches in the poorest neighborhoods of the Dallas-Fort Worth area. They have welcomed us with opened arms and are excited about John’s leadership in the first ever training that the local staff will do, this month, to a number of Churches.
- The connections we are making with the Inner-city churches that appreciate the beginnings of relationships. One pastor shared, “I have always had people say they would come and visit my ministry but no one ever showed up until now.”
- The open doors to connect with individuals and organizations that are working at reaching out to their neighborhoods for Jesus.

As I was reading James I was reminded why John and I appreciate you and your prayers. “The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.” James 5:16b NLT

God has been so faithful to our lives. Your prayers and your financial support are part of His faithfulness! He is providing what we need and moving us in the direction to grow in Him. No matter the call and no matter the circumstances He has always found ways to make us feel loved and cared for.

May His name be praised!

Bless you,

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### Answered Prayer

*The Cru Inner City Celebration Dinner was a huge success! Thank you for your prayers!!*

*Thank you for your prayers for the SAY Yes! Training that will happen in May. We have 3 Churches panning on attending.*

### Prayer Requests

*Please continue praying for the SAY Yes! Training May 6, 7, 13 and 14.*

*Pray that those who want to attend will sign up and that those who sign up will faithfully attend. We know the enemy likes to bring obstacles.*

*Pray for contacts both here and in the Northwest where we will be in June through September.*

*If you are not on our schedule, we want to see you. Call, Text, e-mail or write us today!*

*Pray that God will use our time wisely.*