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> leaving april showers for desert flowers.

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This year, we spent Easter in beautiful eighty-degree weather, without a cloud in the sky, unlike many of our Chicago friends who experienced a cold rainy day. We were invited by supporters to take a trip to Phoenix to try to meet some new churches and individuals to complete our support.

As many of you know, we have been working on our support for almost two years. This past fall and winter were very difficult, but God has really shone through for us. During the past 12 weeks, we have seen over 20% of our support come in. We are almost three-quarters to our goal!

Our trip to Arizona was awesome on multiple levels. For one, it was great to get out of the house and the gloomy weather for some fresh air and sunshine. We were also able to go out on a date to a nice Italian restaurant and for a ride in a gondola with Italian opera serenades.

The support-raising aspect of our trip was very fruitful. We met with several churches that were really on board with our ministry, reaching college students and using technology for ministry purposes. There is a lot of potential to see some of our needs met through these churches. It was very encouraging to be met with open arms and uplifting words.



[Rachel and me on the gondola]



[Us with Matt and Onalee, AZ supporters]



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Lastly, we were able to spend time with our supporters that live in Arizona. These families had not seen Ryan for over 10 years! It was really great to get to meet them and renew old friendships. The family that we stayed with has three young children and it was so refreshing for us to spend time with them. We had a small taste of parenthood and we are realizing that children are just around the corner.

All in all, we had a great time. We left feeling encouraged and hopeful about our support and came home feeling refreshed and ready to finish out these next six weeks. Please be praying that the Lord will bring in the last \$1800 of our monthly support. We are still hoping for the June 12th deadline, but God is never late or early. We appreciate your prayers and financial support during this time.



please Pray

- > For our support to be complete by June 12th 2006.
- > That God would lead us to more people to share our ministry with.
- > For encouragement and perseverance to complete our support.



[our host family]



[Ryan playing "dad" for the week]



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