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Dear Friend,

I want to introduce you to a remarkable young couple who are on deputation as Missionary Appointees to Spain. They are being sent out by Salem Baptist Church and will serve under the supervision of Baptist Mid-Missions. Jonathan and Hannah Romaine, members of Salem Baptist Church, are being commissioned to serve the Lord as part of a growing missionary team in Spain. Their fervor for the cause of world missions and their compassion for the people of Spain are remarkable. Jonathan came to Salem under Student Watch-Care in April 2006 while a student at Piedmont Baptist College. He and Hannah became members in February 2011.

The faithfulness of this couple to their local church is indicative of strong Christian character and bodes well for their establishing good local churches on the mission field. They do not miss church services and participate fully. Jonathan has served as the commander of our Awana program for several years. Hannah is currently the director of our Women's Missionary Fellowship. Their potential for leading Spanish men, women and children to Christ is terrific. The goal will be to develop (as a part of a missionary team) Bible-believing Baptist churches and a Bible-based training program for Spanish church leaders. Their calling is solidly based in the missionary model started by the Apostle Paul in the Book of Acts.

Jonathan is a military kid who was led to the Lord by his mother at age 7. Similarly, Hannah is from a military family and was led to Christ by her mother at age 4. Jonathan also served in the U. S. Air Force from 1999-2005. He provided security for the Presidential Flying Squadron during President Bush's first term and served with the Joint Staff at the Pentagon. God called Jonathan from the military to missions and he graduated from Piedmont Baptist College and Graduate School with a B.A. in Bible and Missions plus Central Baptist Theological Seminary of Virginia Beach with an M.A. in Biblical Studies.

Jonathan and Hannah are anxious to start their church planting ministry. But first they must raise a sufficient level of support to enable them to live and minister on an expensive European mission field. The congregation at Salem is solidly supportive of the Romaines and will assist them to the maximum possibility both financially and in prayer support. Please consider having them visit your congregation to present the vision God has given them for Spain. You will be entertaining two (and soon three) of God's choice servants.

Your friend in Christ,

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