Questions for Friends and Supporters of Missionaries

Here are some starter questions for people who don't know what to say to a missionary.

Joys

- What is your greatest desire for your ministry?
- How have you seen the Lord at work in your ministry?
- ❖ What stands out as your greatest joy in ministry during the last year?
- What was the high point of your last term on the field?
- ❖ What do you miss the most when you're away from the field?
- ❖ What excites you most about the ministry God has called you to?

Problems

- ❖ What is your biggest burden for the ministry with which you're involved?
- ❖ What is the greatest frustration you face on the field?
- What keeps you going when you get hit with bad stuff like discouragement, frustrations, illness, miserable living conditions, and opposition?

Prayer

- How may we pray for you personally?
- How can we best pray for your ministry and the people?
- How can we pray for your next scheduled meeting? What would you like to see God do there?

Family

- What do you enjoy about living in Timbuktu?
- What do your kids like best about where you live? In what ways are they doing well?
- What advantages and disadvantages do you see for raising your family in Bonga?
- How do your children participate in your ministry?

Miscellaneous

- What is a typical day like for you? Is there a typical day?
- Tell me about some of the people, nationals and expatriates, with whom you work.
- ❖ Tell me some interesting things about your people or country.
- What book would you encourage us to read to better understand current missions?
- ❖ What is life like for women and children where you minister?
- Have you found some creative ways to communicate the Gospel in the culture?
- ❖ Where should I send the check for \$1,000,000 I'd like you to have?;)
- Are there resources, skills, or equipment that I might be able to find or provide to assist you?