

November 15, 2009

Dear Members of Kirk in the Hills Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for your generosity in sending two boxes of items to me. I have shared my bounty with other men and women of Bagram Airbase, Afghanistan.

Personally, I found the white athletic socks very helpful, as the weather continues to get colder, and when I'm not wearing my usual military uniform, I am wearing my physical training attire, and therefore the socks will come in handy to keep my ankles warm in the coming months.


I am the superintendent of the Command Post for the 455th Air Expeditionary Wing. We stay very busy here most days as Bagram Airbase is the busiest base in the Afghan theater. There are thousands of troops from all branches of the U.S. military, plus a host of coalition nation forces, working to stabilize the Afghan government and fight insurgents.

This is my third deployment to Southwest Asia, and my second in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. By the grace of God, I will return to the United States during the month of March, 2010, so I will be able to celebrate Easter with my family after missing All Saints Day, Thanksgiving, Advent, Christmas and New Year.

From the bottom of my heart and for the men and women who serve alongside me, thank you once again for your thoughtfulness. With other generous donations that others have received, we have amassed quite a stockpile of snacks and treats that should last us throughout the remainder of this deployment.

May our Father in heaven bless and keep you in Christ Jesus throughout the coming days.

In Christ,



DAVID ABUJA