## SHANE & AMY MURLIN - KLAMATH FALLS, OR

God's ways are certainly not our ways, but wow, is He ever faithful and just. The last 4 years have been quite challenging for the Murlin Family. Amy has had some pretty serious health issues and we stepped down from full-time ministry. Then Amy's dad, Ed, was called home to be with Jesus. God has been so faithful through all the trials and difficulties, meeting all of our needs and teaching us what Hebrews 12:1-2 is all about: "Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."

As God has brought us through every challenge and difficulty, our faith grows more firm in the hope we have in Jesus. We have started attending Williamson River Christian Fellowship in Chiloquin, OR. We have been praying about starting up a youth group there (which is looking more and more plausible), and Amy is helping in the children's ministry. While that is developing, we have started a home fellowship and it's been so exciting to see many young men and women from our former youth group attend and join us for study, food and fellowship. We love them all so much and have been so glad to see God allow us to still be a part of their lives.

We have been focusing on our first ministry: our children. Keeping busy with homeschooling and really focusing on the short years we are given to teach them and instruct them. We have also started our own business renting out bounce houses for birthday parties. It has afforded us the time and means to really

be together as a family, which has been the area God has been working on the most.

Amy's mom is now up here with us in Klamath Falls, as well as a couple of aunts and a couple of cousins. Shane's mom and dad have moved up here as well. It appears we have been transplanted permanently to beautiful Oregon. We know God's ways are not our ways, but He has shown us that HE will be the author and finisher of our faith; we just need to be willing to walk in the spirit and follow the path He has laid before us. It's not always easy, nor is it always what we would choose, but God is so faithful to meet our every need and guide us, shape us and transform us. God is doing a work up here in Oregon, even if its just in us!

- Shane and Amy Murlin

