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Dear Friend of Buffalo ISI:

 As you see in the accompanying letter, Don and Ruth Manta will be going on Sabbatical from August through December of this year. This will be for them a time of refocusing and seeking God’s guidance, and for Buffalo ISI ushers in a time of transition. The plan is for Scott Matheny to become the UB Campus Director starting this fall. Scott and Kathy joined ISI about two years ago and will be working on some additional support raising this summer before Scott officially steps into his new role.

 In addition, I will be taking on the transitional role of Acting Interim City Director. As many of you may know, I was the Buffalo ISI City Director before Don and am currently the ISI Northeast Regional Director, living in Ithaca. I will coming to Buffalo several days a month to meet with staff, attend some events and consult with and support Scott as he develops the ministry plan and transitions into his new role.

 If you have questions or would like to talk further about the changes that are taking place, feel free to email me to set up a phone call or a personal meeting when I am in the Buffalo area.

There will be a full schedule of ministry and events in the fall and throughout the coming school year. Please be in prayer for the ministry and be watching for future communications regarding the schedule for the fall.

Buffalo ISI has a rich and long history of fruitful ministry with international students and partnership with the churches in the community. Buffalo ISI returnees are having a reproducing impact around the world, and many of these were first introduced to Christ in Buffalo. I am confident that we will work through this time of transition and that Buffalo ISI will continue to impact the world as we reach the world that God has brought to us.

Working Together in the Harvest,

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