

Dear Praying Friends, August 30, 2017

Truitful is the word for our Summer! We praise the Lord for leading us and using us in the ministries we have been able to 'accomplish for Him! In the third week of June we were able to take 14 teens to camp. Justin and Stephanie were able to go with them. Teen camp has helped our teens to make good decisions for the Lord in their lives. The last week of June we had our annual Gospel Preaching in the Park. This is a highlight for our church during the year. Bro. Bill Smith and three of his children, Jeshua Carter, Bro. Warren Garraway, and Pastor and Mrs. Anthony Garris came to help us this year. Bro. Garris grew up in Camden, New Jersey, in a rough inner-city environment which enables him to relate well to our inner-city work. There were about 25 decisions for salvation this year. Rob and Vickie were two, who are homeless, sleeping in the park by day, and going to Manhattan by night where they can sleep anywhere they find. Pray for them as they have many spiritual needs. William is a veteran that Bro. Garraway led to the Lord, and spent time with him. I met Julio, and a friend of his one night when we were setting up in the park. I invited them to stay for the service, but they moved to a distant park bench. Julio kept watching us and someone said to him, "I think the other side is calling you". Julio made a decision for Jesus later that night. He has been coming to the services off and on. I am working with him and encouraging him. He has been responding, praise the Lord! Bro. Justin Barnette, the youth leader of Solid Rock Baptist Church, in New Jersey, contacted us wanting to send some teens for a missions trip to New York City. We organized a special outreach for teens and juniors the second week of July. We had the meeting for two days and saw fifty first time visitors come; 28 made professions. We are following up on several of them who are coming to services and activities. In August we took nine juniors to Junior Camp the week of the eclipse. Lots of adversity went on that week of camp, but the Lord has used it in the lives of these children. We got back on Friday afternoon and travelled Saturday, to pick up Bro. Bill Smith and his family where they parked their trailer. We started Vacation Bible School on Sunday evening. It has been a great spirit this week! The missionary story of Alexander Mackay, scripture memorization, and the preaching has been ministering to all of us! Pray for our follow-up and the lives of all that have heard the Word of God this Summer!

There are several areas I want to highlight that need Bible preaching churches here in New York City. In the middle of Queens, by Queens Center Mall there is a development called Lefrak City. There are many building there that house thousands of people. These people need a good Bible preaching church! Just North of where our church is it is called Fresh Meadows. This area is mostly residential and also has St. John's University. These people need the gospel and a church started there! The Hispanic population continues to grow throughout the area where we have outreach. I pray God sends some more men to do the work of the ministry in these places!

Our family is doing well! I have been feeling well this Summer after having the stent put in an artery of my heart in May. Julie and I have changed our eating habits which is helping us feel much better. Pray for our health. Pray for Nathanael, as he seeks direction from the Lord. Our little girl Esther is growing up starting sixth grade this fall. Sheila, my sister, is still working at Walmart four days a week and working hard in the ministry. Justin got a new job as an electrician's helper. This is a great trade for him to use for years to come in the ministry. Stephanie has had some health issues for which we covet your prayers. Thank you for partnering with us in the ministry to this vast mass of humanity! We reach them one at a time so the need for more to labor here is great! Thank you for your many prayers and faithful support financially! It is greatly appreciated!

In Christ,

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