Merry Christmas Fall/Christmas 2022

Dear Prayer Partner:

Thank the Lord fall has come and it being November now means that Christmas is just around the corner, indeed, my favorite time of the year. Our fall schedule has been one of the busiest we have had in quite a while. Joyce and I are very grateful to be used of God in helping churches in the area of missions as we seek to represent the ministry of Military Missions in different churches. In our conferences we have seen well over a million dollars committed to world missions this year. May God use these churches to get more missionaries to the field and help sustain them there as they preach the Gospel and reach peoples of the world for Christ (2 Corinthians 10:15-16).

We received this kind letter from a good church in North Carolina, near Camp Lejeune Marine Base, after our October meeting there: Words cannot express the gratitude we have for your faithfulness in preaching; more specifically, to us in the area of faith promise. The Lord has greatly used you here to teach our church and the people who PCS'd around the world the importance of missions. Both you and Mrs. Alverson have been a huge blessing to me and our church each year. Stick with it. God is using you. We love you! Happy anniversary! (Note: This was our 10^{th} straight year of preaching the missions conference there). Thank you, Pastor McConkey. (Another note: For non-military personnel, PCS stand for Permanent Change of Station). Only the Judgment Seat of Christ will reveal the results of these dear people giving (some sacrificially) to missions.

Any church the Lord allows us to minister in is a wonderful blessing and our hearts are thrilled to be a help and blessing to anyone. We have met some precious people along the way and we thank God for them all. I was especially blessed this fall as I was privileged to preach a missions conference in two churches God gave me the opportunity to start and establish in the 1970's shortly after I graduated from Bible College. The first was the Maranatha Baptist Church in Marion, North Carolina. We established it and the church called a pastor who was with them for almost 40 years. It was a joy to be there in October with their good pastor, Brother Daniel Brenneman. After that ministry we moved on to Newport News, Virginia, and established another Maranatha Baptist Church. This church has had only three pastors in their almost 47 year history. We were blessed to be there this month (November), which was our last conference of the year and absolutely one of the best ever. Pastor Bob Monteith had prepared the church and it was an amazing conference as God moved mightily. We praise the LORD for these opportunities.

Well, it's beginning to look and sound a lot like Christmas, a time that Joyce and I especially love. We love the music, the decorations, the gifts (giving and receiving), the spirit in the air, the fellowship, etc. but most of all we love the message of Christmas – CHRIST THE SAVIOR is come! It's our favorite time of the year because the whole world has to stop and take note that JESUS was born in Bethlehem and His birth changed the course of this world. It even changed the time from B.C. to A.D! So, the both of us want to take this time to wish you a very MERRY CHRISTMAS. May you experience all the joy, peace and love that Christmas can bring your way.

Please remember and pray for our military personnel around the world, along with our military missionaries, who will not be able to be home with their loved ones for Christmas.

We want to thank you for your fervent prayers and faithful support of our ministry this year. God bless you and we look forward to what God has in store for us in the coming year. We love you and remain...

In Christ's Service,

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