

## Evangelist Paul Barnes

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Thank you for your prayers and support. I am so sorry for such a large gap of time between our last letter. So I will just summarize our ministry. Since starting in 2019 with evangelism, the Lord has allowed me to also do church planting. As you know from my last letter I have been church planting and helping existing churches find a pastor while doing evangelistic services. It all began in 2018. I was asked by Bible Baptist Church of Burton, Michigan to help find a pastor since their pastor had recently passed from cancer. With the Lord's guidance we were able to merge Bible Baptist Church and Richfield Baptist Church together and place Pastor Andrew Auclair as their head. They finalized in April of 2019 and Victory Baptist Church was born. This church is thriving and making a difference in Burton, Michigan. After my diagnosis of heart failure and the pandemic in 2019-2020, I was asked again to help start a church in Breckenridge, Michigan. I began door to door visitation, filling in the pulpit, discipleship and actively looking for a pastor for this small group of people. In 2021 the church voted in Pastor Coty Crain. This small church is growing and changing the lives of many in Breckenridge for the Lord. In February, 2022, I received a call from Fenmore Baptist Church of Elsie, Michigan. They had been without a pastor for almost two years. They asked if I would be the interim pastor and find a pastor for them. In April of 2022 we met Pastor Patrick Jackson. He candidate for the church and in June of 2022 was voted in as the pastor. This church is in a small farming community and they are seeing the Lord bless the town of Elsie. In July of 2022, a friend Pastor Terry Herman was resigning from Community Bible Baptist Church and asked my assistance in finding a new pastor. While preaching services in VA, I reached out to local pastors in the area as well as outside the Annapolis area. The church voted no to a couple of candidates and we continued to seek and pray for the Lord's guidance. Over the next four months while I traveled from my home in Michigan to Maryland, pastors in the surrounding area of Annapolis filled in the pulpit and kept the

church going as we continued our search. Thank the Lord for my friend Pastor Brad Wenigar of Central Baptist Church in Alexandria, VA. One day as I was getting discouraged, because of a candidate who had not once but three times not show up to the church for a scheduled service. I called Pastor Wenigar to ask if he knew of anyone who would be open to be the pastor for this church. He informed me of a good friend of his Herman and Hellen Broom of Florida. The church reached out to the Brooms and they came and candidate for the church. Praise the Lord, Pastor Herman Broom is now the pastor of Community Bible Baptist Church. After many obstacles and health problems the church is going on for the Lord.

Recently I just finished a spring revival at Bath Baptist in Bath, Michigan. There were many decisions for Christ. I have also filled several pulpits of churches and have seen 9 saved in the jail ministry. I am striving to be faithful in our local church in the bus ministry for our addiction ministry as well as door to door witnessing. I am now in the beginning stages of a final website for evangelism. We are looking forward to some upcoming services in June and a revival in July. The schedule is coming together for the fall as well. I strive to win souls and help pastors and fellow christians not to quit or give up and challenge others that God is good no matter what don't quit! We must remember to not get discouraged or look at the storms, but keep our eyes on Jesus. He is coming back soon.

Your friend, Evangelist Paul Barnes, I John 2:28; Matthew 6:33