## The Bell's Prayer Letter

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Dear supporting churches and friends.

This has been a very interesting quarter of time since our last letter. The weather has kept us on our toes as we have traveled from place to place experiencing truly winter travel, snow and ice, wind, rain and zero degrees. But most of all God's wonderful blessing of safety. I was preaching in a church in South Carolina when I made the statement that we were running on prayer power, so many have told us that they are praying, Thank you! Please continue to lift Mamie and I up in prayer, Like Paul who wrote Philip. 1:19 For I know that this shall turn to my salvation through your prayer, and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ. We just can't make it without you.

Some of you remembered us in your prayers and in your giving during the Christmas season, Thank you! I had the privilege to pastor our last church for twenty years. It was always wonderful to be surrounded by the church family. Being on the road in one church this week and into another next we fail to have that closeness at certain times and we will remember how it use to be and about the time we might be getting a little sad one of you or a church will send a card or a gift meeting some special need we might be experiencing and out will go the sadness, in rushes the gladness for we are truly not alone. Sometimes we get a little road weary, and we will think of you who make up our supporting churches and your faithful giving to this ministry, all at once like a cool breeze on a hot day a wave of encouragement will rush over us and we are not weary anymore. We are debtor to so many.

There are a number of unspoken burdens on our hearts which have to do with the needs of others, we would ask you to pray for them. Some have to do with the families we have met along the way, others with their health, some with church needs and as always so many who need the Lord Jesus as their Saviour. As we travel to so many places we see so many needs that only God can supply, but He can supply. Philip. 4:19 But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

In most of our churches we have more material things than we have ever known before and are very grateful for them, but what we need most of all is the out pouring or filling of the Holy Ghost that brings conviction to our services. I'm grateful for the souls that have been saved but it just seems like so little when we look at the over all picture. I'm convinced that we must come back to more than a few minutes in prayer before or in our services.

I believe that we have some of the best preaching today that has ever been done, and yet so little conviction, it is a very refreshing thing to see weeping while preaching the Word or to weep while preaching. Revival is a must and it is for certain no preacher or people have the ability to produce it, <u>IT MUST COME FROM GOD!</u> None of us deserve it and only through the mercy of God can we expect it.

It has been our privilege to work with a mission church and a number of churches that are eight years old or younger. There are a number of good men that are striving to serve our Lord in their local churches, pray that We can be a blessing to them and their church families.

We praise The Lord for giving Damascus Road it's new pastor so quick. Bro Lindwood Davis was the founding pastor, He did a wonderful Job. Brother Bill Medlin has just accepted the church.

In Christ, Bro Russ & Mamie Bell

Bro. Buss & Marrie Bell

**Romans** 1:16

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.