

# THE BELLS PRAYER LETTER

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To our supporting Churches and Dear Friends:

Greetings in Jesus name.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. When I view the heavens, earth and the little things like the ant, I stand in awe of God's great designs of all living creatures. I took the time to watch some ants at work the other day and then I lifted my eyes and saw a far off the beauty of the Blue ridge mountains and was reminded of the wonderful, powerful, loving Lord Jesus that saved my hell bound soul, by his blood and I shout Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah. Some might think we Baptist should not express ourselves this way, my reply is and why not! Psalm 150:6 Let everything that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD. ("Hallelujah") Some words were coined for use only by the children of God, and such is the word, "hallelujah! Actually, the word is Hebrew, a compound of two words "hallal" and "jah." The first word, "hallal," means "to praise," and the word "jah" is the word for God, the same word which gives us the word Jehovah. Simply put, the word means "praise be to God" or "praise the Lord." This was the same word which captured the attention of George Frederick Handel, who wrote The Messiah. "And He shall reign forever and ever" wrote Handel, with the words crescendoing "Hallelujah, hallelujah." It is no wonder that Handel, who had barricaded himself into his room and practically neither ate nor slept as he wrote, later told a friend, "It seemed as if heaven came down and filled my soul." It is understandable that the world does not grasp the meaning nor significance of the word "hallelujah," for only those who have been redeemed can praise God for what He has done in bringing salvation to mankind.

Mamie and I praise the Lord for the many miles of safety and for the strength to stand night after night and preach his word. Oh! How great a salvation the redeemed of God have. These past three months have been so refreshing to us, what a joy to hear people ask Jesus into their hearts, souls in Maryland, Delaware, North Carolina, Mississippi. Many, gospel tracts distributed and a lot of move in the services among the people of God.

We have just finished the family week with WWNTBM and I believe it was the best ever; I seem to say that each year. This year it was hosted by the Brookhaven Baptist Church of Greensboro N.C. This is a very important time for the WWNTBM Agency.

By the time you receive this letter we will be in Pennsylvania, Delaware and then into New Jersey and back into N.C. It is time for my yearly hospital check up in Raleigh N.C. August 14<sup>th</sup>. Pray that I will receive a very good report, the Lord willing. Mamie has been doing right well but do pray that she can sleep, this and reflux seems to be her biggest physical need. She does about 60% of the driving and her rest is so important. We are asked from time to time about the motor home if it is still running good. Praise the Lord all is well. We had a very close call with the Motor Home around Washington D.C. (rush Hour) but we are safe. (RV,ok)

We thank all of you who sent birthday, anniversary, get well cards and church bulletins with our name highlighted to let us know you are praying. If you send us e-mails please don't get upset if we don't answer. Sometimes we are weeks getting these things and yes even months getting our personal mail on the road, our silence is not unconcern just an inconvenience in these modern times. We could not remain in this ministry if it were not for your faithfulness in prayer and financial gifts. Thanks again from our hearts!

A special thanks to brother Albert Burke of Delaware for the plowing my mule background. I'm always saying it's time to take the mule out of the barn or it's time to put him in the barn, my way of saying I'm starting or I'm through or as Paul said Finally, brethren.

Serving Jesus Joyously

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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.

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