

THE BELLS PRAYER & PRAISE LETTER

October—November--December--- 2010

To our supporting Churches and Dear Friends:

Greetings in Jesus name.

Can you believe we are in the middle of November and Thanksgiving and Christmas are just around the corner? There are just so many things that we have to be grateful for, salvation and all the many wonderful blessings that come with it. And then there are our families and this glorious family in Christ and so many personal friends.

We began this quarter with meetings in North Carolina, filling in some for those who are seeking a pastor and at the time of this writing we are in Florida in a mission's conference. We also had the privilege of preaching at the Central Baptist Church of Port Richey Florida (this is a mission church being started by Dr. Frank Lawson) **They had 12 in attendance the Wednesday we were there. Pastors, Brother Lawson could really use some financial help on the rent of the store front meeting place, they need \$1200.00 a month to pay the rent, and anything you could do to help would be appreciated. Feel free to contact him @ Dr. Frank Lawson - 8649 Velvet Drive – Port Richey, FL 34668 - Home:757-826-4326 — Cellular:757-812-3904**

It is a joy to report that several have called upon the Lord to save them since our last letter; this is always encouraging and exciting to report. We will by the grace of God keep very busy right on to Christmas.

God's Superlatives

Writers are supposed to avoid superlatives. The textbooks tell us that authors who use extreme adjectives like "fabulous," "magnificent," and "splendid" are usually overstating the case. These graphic superlatives are to be reserved only for occasions that actually merit their use, and then they are to appear very seldom.

But when the writers of the Bible spoke of the blessings of God upon His children, they used the strongest of terms. So marvelous are the riches of Christ enjoyed by His own that the Holy Spirit, the author of God's Word, used the most extravagant language to describe them.

Here are a few examples: God's *pardon* is "abundant" *Isaiah 55:7* His *love* "passeth knowledge" *Ephes. 3:19* His *gift* of salvation is "unspeakable" *2 Cor. 9:15* His *life* is "more abundant" *John 10:10* Paul, writing to the discouraged Corinthians, said that through God we are "*enriched in everything to all bountifulness, which causeth through us thanksgiving to God*" (*2 Cor. 9:11*). **Feeling poor of spirit? Wishing you had more of the riches of this world? Remember the superlatives of God!**

Again we are very appreciative for those who partner with us in this Barnabas ministry either in prayer, financial support or both. One thing is very clear to Mamie and I, we cannot do this without you. Oh I know that the Lord is first but it's his plan to evolve us together in proclaiming his truth to others. And again we thank you from the depth of our hearts; one never knows when their last thanks will be said.

*We pray that you will have a wonderful Thanksgiving
and a Christ honoring Christmas this year.*

Serving Jesus Joyously,

Brother Russell & Mamie Bell

Romans 1:16

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