



## Bell's News Letter



January—February—March – 2014

To our supporting Churches and Dear Friends:

Greetings in Jesus name.

To say that time does fly is truly an understatement; can you believe that we are in the month of March already? These have been a very busy three months so far, but with a great deal of sadness and yet great joy at the same time. Many of you already know of the passing of Pastor Robert (Bob) Winstead of the Trinity Baptist Church in Wilson, North Carolina. Brother Bob and I were very close and his passing has been very real to me and I miss him greatly. The Lord has allowed me the privilege to fill the pulpit at Trinity some; it is a privilege to do this as the church works thru their mourning process. The pastor was there for thirty nine years. They have been blessed in having a good number of seasoned preachers to help at this time of adjustment in the church life as they are preparing to seek the man of God to shepherd them. Please put them on your prayer list, this great church has been taught Biblical principles for thirty nine years by a loving pastor.

By the grace of God, we are still keeping a full schedule; in fact this has been a very busy first quarter since we've been on this gospel trail. Some are thinking that we've retired, but I can assure you we have not, nor do we wish to. We want to keep on as long as the good Lord allows. It is our desire to win souls to Christ and help and encourage as many of God's dear children as possible.

Our health is about the same but by God's good grace we are able to preach, pray and go with a little rest every day in the afternoons, however Mamie spent 2 ½ days in the Wilson hospital. She is doing so much better now, the doctor let her come home if she promised to take the medicine and remain inside the motor home for seven days and she did. With that said we still never missed a service, God's grace is surely sufficient. Please pray that Jesus will keep us busy for his glory and that his anointing will ever be upon these aging servants. I am grateful for our pastor, Dr. Gene Wood, who prays for God to keep us busy. Even in all this cold, snowy & icy weather Jesus has done that very thing; I just want to praise him. (We are still on the road about 300 days a year.)

We thank each one of you who have stood so faithful in praying and supporting us as we go in Jesus name and whatever is accomplished through us you have a reward for your partnership. Just a few days ago a young man and his wife were in the service and he asked Christ into his heart, Glory!

Just a thought. Once when mules were used in great numbers in the coal mines, a visitor passing through the coal-mining area of Pennsylvania noticed that there were great numbers of these animals in pastures along the way, and asked the reason for this. "To keep them from going blind," he was told. "If they are not brought up from underground at least one day in the week they will eventually lose their eyesight. So they are brought up each Sunday to keep them from going blind.—Evangelistic Illustration

Joyfully Serving Jesus

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Romans 1:16 (KJV) 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.