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Dear Pastors, Friends, & Family,

God continues to be good to us and bless us! We love serving God and love the place where he has called us. I hope all of you are doing well also. I want to update you on three areas:

OUR NEW BUILDING

I want to say thank you so much to everyone who sacrificially and generously gave toward our building. As is always the case with buying or building a church building, there have been a few complications. God closed the door on the original building we were looking at due to a structural issue. So, we put an offer in on a second building, but someone offered \$75,000 more than we could. This week I have contacted four real estate agencies about four different buildings. I tell our people that we are just as grateful for a closed door as we are an open one, because the truth of the matter is, that He is still working a miracle for our church here, and we just want His will to be done. Please continue to pray that God will give wisdom and direction.



ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY

About a month ago, our church celebrated its second anniversary. We had a great service. We invited a guest speaker from the mainland, and we had our highest attendance to date of thirty-six people. Included in that number, we had three first time visitors and five people who had not been in over a year. We are praying that God will work in their hearts.

BAPTISM SUNDAY

We also just had a baptism Sunday; in which, we had an Argentinian couple get baptized, and a young Ukrainian lady joined our church that same day. As you can imagine, in a storefront we do not have a baptistry. So we met at the beach at 8:30 a.m. We sang "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" and then walked right into the Mediterranean Sea for our baptism. God really has called us to a unique place. I messed up my back, so it was good to have Jason help me with the baptism. It was his first time baptizing people. We then headed back to the church for our regular morning service. It was a wonderful day!



So, as I said, God continues to bless! He is always so good to us! Sure things can be hard, and maybe things do not go as planned, but it is our choice wether we focus on the good or the bad. And let me tell you, the good far outweighs the bad!

Thank you for your prayers and support, Markie Bullock