December 2013

Dear Praying Friends & Supporters:

Christmas greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Luke 19:10 says, "For the Son of Man (Jesus Christ) is come to seek and to save that which is lost." As we begin to celebrate Christmas in these trying times, it is a great blessing to know that our Lord Jesus Christ continues to save souls.

During this year, many inmates at the Craven County Jail, the Jones County Jail, and the Pender Prison have been saved. Praise the Lord! He continues to <u>seek and save those that are lost</u>.

What a privilege and blessing it has been to be able to give the inmates approximately 26 cases of Bibles or over six hundred Bibles. Along with the Bibles, we include the first Bible lesson course on "salvation." Some of them have completed one or more of the three levels of courses we offer and have earned their certificate(s) for completing the course. Through the help of our many faithful volunteers, only the Lord Jesus knows how many tracts we have passed out. At the Pender Prison, the inmates pass out tracts on the "yard," which we provide for them at our Thursday services. They also mail them to family and friends. Isaiah 55:11 says, "So shall my Word be...It shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please...."

This year has been challenging for Joe physically! He had two surgeries for a torn retina in his left eye. After the last surgery, they had to put oil behind his eye to stabilize his retina. The oil is still there after seven months. His eye is slowly improving, but all of the fluid buildup around the retina has not gone down. This has greatly affected his vision, so he has not been able to drive. Thank you so much for your continued prayers for him and for Carolyn who has to do most of the ministry driving.

_____Everything this year that has been accomplished by our Lord and His grace is a direct result of your faithful prayers and support. May our Lord Jesus Christ richly bless all of you during this Christmas season and in all of 2014.

Your Missionaries, Joe and Carolyn Cannon