The Dundons

Missionaries to the Deaf in Philadelphia





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# **Second Anniversary**

As the weather warmed up, we were able to have multiple events. We saw a growth of our church during this time.

## Second Anniversary

On the first Sunday of May, we were able to have our second anniversary of our church. My sending church's pastor, Terry Buchholz was able to come and preach for us. It was wonderful to have him see our church family and how much we have grown. During his time here, I was able to show him around Philly and where I grew up. It was a much needed refreshment for me, I truly missed his preaching. During our second year, we saw four people receive the Lord!



## New people

We have had many visitors who have come and stayed at our church. One of them was a man close to my age whom I met once many years ago. He stutters even in sign language so patience is essential when listening to him. He saw our church sign outside and turns out that he lives two blocks away from church! When I saw him, we immediately recognized each other.

#### **Mission Board:**

World Wide New Testament Baptist Missions 2069 County Line Rd P.O. Box 725 Kings Mountain, NC 28086 (704) 730-1440 www.wwntbm.com An elderly deaf man came to church one Sunday, saying that he heard about our church through a friend he grew with in Philly, whom now lives many states away. This friend has been encouraging him to visit our church. When he first introduced himself, he mentioned that he will stay home whenever an Eagles game is on at the same time as church, we are thankful for his honesty!

An elderly couple came to our church after a friend, who also lives states away, saw our information online and referred them to us. They originally grew up in Puerto Rico and only moved to Philly a year ago. Thus, they only know Puerto Rican sign language, not American sign language. They also do not know how to read English nor Spanish, so we can't even use that as an indirect translation. However, they have been very faithful and have been picking up ASL little

by little. They showed me the universal sign for "salvation" (cross on heart) indicating that they already accepted Christ in the past. All of the other visitors above also mentioned that they're already saved as well.

During our monthly men's fellowship in my garage, we had multiple new faces who came. One of them is a young muslim man who comes just to hang out with us. We have a devotion each time and it always includes the Gospel as part of the message. He asked questions often and we always give him an answer out of Scripture. I did eat out with him once and explained the gospel over the course of several hours. He said that as he was listening, he got goosebumps, and I said that God is trying to reach out to him, but he quickly brushed it off and shifted the topic.

This same guy also began to come regularly to the monthly fellowship and started bringing a deaf elderly, homeless man who he saw panhandling out on the street. This man is a professional mime who has fallen on hard times. He told me once before that he doesn't believe in creation, but in "monkeys." However, this



same man without a home also regularly brought two big bags of chips to the men fellowship while none of the others brought anything. Please pray for both of their salvation.

Lastly, my oldest brother, who is hard of hearing but knows how to sign, has been attending the men's monthly fellowship. He is not saved, please pray that God will bring him to the knowledge of salvation as he hears me preach.

### Memorial Day BBQ.

On Memorial weekend, we had a bbq at my home after church and a large number of people came. Of course, people will come if there's food. We had a great time.