## Kelly & Rebekah Gilliam Missionaries to





Sending Church: Fall Creek Baptist Church 3520 Fall Creek Church Road Jonesville, NC 28642

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Dear Praying Friends & Family,

THEY WERE BUSY, BUT THEY HAD NO TIME FOR GOD! "And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed" (Luke 17:26-30). NO TIME FOR GOD!

Such was the reminder Evangelist Glen Weeks gave at our church during our recent evangelistic meetings. Many have time for everything else, but they have no time for the Lord. Over the four days of meetings, Bro. Weeks encouraged the church folk and visitors alike to seek God first.

Now that school has started back, and much of the wet season has passed (though it is raining cats and dogs as I write!), ministry opportunities abound! We are full-on with Religious Education (R.E.) classes (17 in all). Just so you know, around ninety-five percent of our R.E. students do not go to church anywhere. When the students were asked on the first day of R.E.s whether they attended church or not, one responded, "Why would I waste my time doing that?" I'm convinced many of the "anti-God" things that come from their mouths are learned from family and friends. Please pray that the Lord will use us to clearly present the Gospel and the greatness of our salvation to these young hearts.

Youth groups are also going. We have added a few new faces to youth group this year. Please pray that the youth group members will witness to their friends. Many do witness, and are given a hard time by their friends. Please pray they will continue to witness and live for the Lord, despite the harassment. Please pray for Scott, a young man in his senior year. Scott has said in times past that he believes God would have him to be a missionary/pastor. Please pray that the Lord will put a hedge around this young man and prepare him for whatever ministry He has for him.

We give thanks to the Lord that our church just had its nine-year anniversary. We have had many ups and downs during those few years, but the Lord has been so good and gracious to us. Also, in the almost four years since the Lord enabled us (and the bank<sup>©</sup>) to buy the church building, we have reduced the principle owed on the building by almost half! Please pray that we will continue to make timely payments on the church building, and continue to establish the church as a lighthouse of God's saving grace and power in Townsville.

Clarisse (Reese) and Bryce have started their new school years. Reese is in grade four this year, and Bryce is in Grade one. The work is harder for both compared to last year, so they have had to adjust. Bryce is finding it difficult to adjust to the much greater work load. He now has to be in school much longer, and he finds it very hard to sit still and pay attention for "soooo long." He is our perpetual motion child, so it is easy to understand why he struggles. He can't wait for the end of the school day, so he can run around and play. Reese has seen an ears, nose, and throat specialist. He determined that she needs her tonsils and adenoids removed in the next two or three months. The doctor said that the removal of these should help her breathing (she snores like a freight train!) and overall health. Please keep her in your prayers.

Lastly, thank you all for your gracious giving and prayers. We really do appreciate your help in the ministry here. Our church folk often pray for you all too!

Love, Kelly, Becca, Reese & Bryce

PS- Please pray for our Continuous Cricket match on Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. This is often a well-attended youth outreach. Please pray that many of the R.E. kids will come.