Dear Praying Friends, March 6, 2022

Thank you once again for your prayers and support. I hope this letter finds you prospering in God's will well into this new year. Certainly, the news is tumultuous around the world, but I know God is still at work. Though things do not often seem to progress the way we would like we are excited about what God is doing in our part of the world.

Since our Thanksgiving meal, Mark and Racinda have been faithfully attending. In my last letter, I mentioned their search for truth and Mark's struggle of faith. I am happy to share that at least Mark seems to have settled his faith in Christ and we are hoping his wife is not far behind! Since then, Mark especially has shown much interest in learning the Bible. It warmed my heart to see them start coming to Sunday School and we were able to move around our midweek Bible study so that they will be able to make it hopefully. Pray that we will see them both settled, confident in the faith, baptized soon and added to church membership. It was exciting to see them come for our Christmas fellowship and have a good time with the church family.

The new year brought in great challenges as the struggle with COVID-19 continued. Every family in the church had been affected by the outbreak here picking up the sickness from all different places. We had one lady hit so hard by Covid that she struggled with it through January right up until the day of her wedding in February resulting in us cancelling the community center rental and doing a small little backyard ceremony. This past year, she and her husband started coming to church and getting right with the Lord; we are excited about their commitment in marriage. We were so hit by COVID-19 that on one Sunday it was just my family and one other couple. That was probably our lowest attendance ever if I do not count the Sunday a couple years ago when we had a snowstorm.

Despite the difficulties we have had and the people we have sadly lost, the Lord is growing his church and if we could get even our regulars all there on the same day, we would be well into record numbers of 30 or more. More exciting than the numbers is the spiritual growth. As I write this, I am excited at the prospect of seeing a record attendance at our midweek service this week. It is wonderful to see the interest the people have of being together and learning the Word of God.

In the last month, we have had a lady named Carina coming to our midweek Bible study. She has five horses and regularly attends competitions. She has recently gotten right with the Lord and has been extremely hungry for learning the Word of God. She has learned about eternal security and seems so joyful to have the assurance of her salvation. I have never seen anyone more excited to be at a Bible study. Through her work with horses, she has had an opportunity to be a spiritual influence on Hollywood actors using her horses. Hopefully, as she grows the Lord will provide more opportunities.

In my last letter, I mentioned a phone call from a neighbor about their interest in attending with some friends. It turns out that her friends were parents of a missionary in Chile that is supported by a nearby church with which we enjoy close fellowship. He has been trying to get his parents into a good church for quite some time. They previously attended a Lutheran church but quit going due to a vaccination requirement. They seem to be enjoying our services, but Dave has recently had several health issues including prostate cancer and a broken elbow. Please pray for Dave and Dana!

We appreciate and covet your continued prayers on the behalf of us and Shepherd's Call Baptist Church. What a privilege it is to partner with you for the sake of the Gospel!

Because of Calvary, Stephen, Charity, Judson(7), Samuel(6), Noah(4) and Valiana(2) Jenney