

# JOEL FAMILY NEWSLETTER

WORLD WIDE NEW TESTAMENT BAPTIST MISSIONS

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GREETINGS IN THE MOST WONDERFUL AND PRECIOUS NAME OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. WE WISH YOU A HUGE THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL PRAYER AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT. YOUR LOVE AND SUPPORT FOR MISSIONS WILL REAP ETERNAL DIVIDENDS.

OUR MISSIONS CONFERENCE WAS HELD FOR A WEEK, INSTEAD OF A MONTH. EACH OF OUR SEVEN PASTORS PREACHED EACH NIGHT OF THE WEEK WITH FELLOWSHIP AND LIGHT REFRESHMENTS AFTERWARDS. THE LAST MEETING AT THE END OF THE WEEK STARTED AT FOUR O'CLOCK PM, WITH DINNER ON THE GROUND, A PIG WAS SACRIFICED, NOT TO MENTION HOW MANY CHICKENS AND FISHES. FOLLOWING THE DINNER WERE THE SPECIAL CHOIR NUMBERS FROM ALL THE CHURCHES. THEN WE HAD OUR TESTIMONY TIME BEFORE THE FINAL SERMON. IT SURELY WAS A FORE-TASTE OF HEAVEN.

PRAY FOR MY WIFE, LIHNER, WHO HAD A PERSISTENT COUGH AND FEVER FOR A COUPLE OF WEEKS. WHEN SHE STARTED VOMITING, I PERSUADED HER TO SEE THE DOCTOR. SHE WAS ADMITTED FOR THREE DAYS AND WAS FOUND WITH HIGH BLOOD AND ELEVATED SUGAR LEVEL. THE DOCTOR RECOMMENDED HER TO SWITCH FROM TAKING PILLS TO TAKING INSULIN SHOTS FOR HER DIABETES. PRAISE THE LORD, WE WERE ABLE TO BUY A BRAND NEW WHEELCHAIR TO REPLACE HER OLD AND PROBLEMATIC ONE.

MY DAUGHTER THREW THE BIGGEST, MOST ELABORATE BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR ME. I THOUGHT SHE AND HER HUSBAND WERE OUT GETTING PIZZAS FOR US, BUT WHEN THEY RETURNED, HER FOUR-YEAR OLD SON, RAN INTO THE HOUSE AND ASKED IF I'M READY FOR THE PARTY (HE LET THE CAT OUT OF THE BAG). SHE HAD SECRETLY INVITED ALL THE PASTORS AND THEIR FAMILIES TO OUR CHURCH, SO WHEN THEY TOLD US TO FOLLOW THEIR CAR TO THE CHURCH, THERE WERE DOUBLED-PARKED CARS A BLOCK FROM THE CHURCH,. WHEN SHE OPENED THE FRONT DOOR, I WAS BLOWN AWAY BY A HUGE MAKESHIFT BIRTHDAY CHORUS THAT MET US, THEN I SAW THE COLORFUL BALLOON ARCHWAY WITH A BIG NUMBER 70, HANGING IN FRONT. I COULDN'T HAVE ARRANGED A BETTER PARTY THAN THAT. GOD IS SO PRECIOUS TO BLESS ME WITH ANOTHER YEAR.

OUR ANNUAL YOUTH RALLY REPORTED MANY YOUNG PEOPLE REDEDICATING THEIR LIVES. PRAY FOR THE UPCOMING YOUTH SUMMER CAMP. ALSO ANOTHER ITEM OF PRAISE IS THE SALVATION OF THREE HIGHSCHOOL STUDENTS AT OUR CHRISTIAN SCHOOL SPRING REVIVAL. A SPECIAL HIGHLIGHT OF OUR SCHOOL THIS YEAR WAS THE INDUCTION CEREMONY OF THE HIGHSCHOOL HONOR SOCIETY. THIRTY PERCENT OF OUR STUDENT BODY WERE RECOGNIZED AND HONORED FOR THEIR SUCCESSFUL ACHIEVEMENT OF MAINTAINING HONOR ROLL ON ALL THE CORE SUBJECTS.

ONE OF OUR FAITHFUL SCHOOL STAFF AND CHURCH MEMBERS WAS FINALLY CALLED HOME TO GLORY AFTER FIGHTING CANCER FOR A MONTH OR SO. MISS MYRNA SIENES ALWAYS HAS A SUNNY DISPOSITION AND WILLING TO HELP ANY STAFF MEMBER WHO NEEDED HELP. HOW MANY FELLOW BELIEVERS WILL BE WAITING TO GREET US YONDER ONEDAY ON THAT GREAT REUNION DAY