

"Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy." Ps. 107:2

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Dear Co-Laborers in Christ:

2017 flew by in a flurry of activities as we encouraged our church family to "Get Busy for the Lord". This year, we want "Showers of Blessings" from the Lord so we are learning verses that teach us what we need to do in order to experience God's blessings.

One of the first verses we learned was Psalm 32:1 which says, "BLESSED is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered." Robert began counseling sessions with Tess and Ziggy, and they began attending church on Sunday mornings. Tess has been resistant to change and commitment saying, "I'll think about it" while Ziggy admits there are problems. We rejoiced when he asked the Lord to save him, and he is trying hard to change.

Revelation 14:13b comforted us when a faithful church member died. It says, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord..." Ms. Wilma was a double amputee who had problems with diabetes. Shortly after she lost her second leg, she had a heart attack but was blessed because she went home to be with the Lord.

Our hearts were challenged when we memorized Acts 20:35: "I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive." One of our church members made us aware of an elderly couple in need. Sporty and his wife have a special needs daughter. He was a farmer until he got ill. Now we are helping them through the food basket ministry. At pre-school we noticed that one of the children didn't have a raincoat or umbrella, and it is rainy season! Then his mom got behind on tuition. We investigated and found out the mom has been unable to return to work because her new baby began having seizures and had to be monitored constantly. Carrie paid the January tuition for them and the church is helping with food baskets. We also purchased the needed raincoat and umbrella.

There is so much more to be done! Join us in seeking the Lord's blessings because, "Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing." Matthew 24:46

In Christ,

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