



SERVANTS HELPING IN THE MINISTRY

December 2019

*"Bless the Lord, O
my soul, and forget not
all his benefits." Psalm 103:2:2*

It is hard to believe that we have come to the end of another year, and in this case the end of another decade. Wow! We are entering into the Twenties! Marilee and I hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas, and that the New Year has been a blessed one so far. As we end the year and begin a new one, I bring your attention again to the verse we gave you in November. May we look back and thank God for all His benefits given in 2019, and may we with great anticipation look for more benefits in 2020.

December was certainly a month where God's benefits were clearly manifested. We enjoyed helping Faith Baptist Church in Trenton, NC, when we did not have deputation meetings scheduled elsewhere. This we did on December 1, which was the church's Christmas banquet Sunday. What a wonderful time we had. We were also there on December 22, 24, and 31. Please continue to pray that God would send a pastor to Faith Baptist Church.

During the first two weeks in December we were in Georgia. We had the privilege of attending two preachers' fellowships and meeting with many pastors. We have already scheduled at least three meetings for January and February in those Georgia churches, and many pastors have asked us to call and set up other meetings. We praise God for opening these doors to present our work.

We did present our work to Faith Baptist Church in Ludowici, Georgia, and to Bible Baptist Church in Statesboro, Georgia, on December 8. Both churches have invited us back to preach in the New Year, and we look forward to this opportunity. We want to especially thank Daniel Walker, pastor of Woodland Heights Baptist Church (Dublin, GA) and Anthony Hipps, pastor of Northside Baptist Church (Jesup, GA). These pastors allowed us to stay in their churches' prophet's chambers while we were in Georgia. What a burden was lifted by this courtesy.

We had the privilege of being at Gospel Independent Baptist Church in Henderson, North Carolina, on December 15, for their missions Sunday and Christmas banquet. We presented our work and had the privilege of sitting under the preaching of Russell Bell. We thank Pastor Robert Greene for hosting this missions Sunday and for allowing us the opportunity to present our work and share our burden. Please pray for Russell Bell as he battles liver cancer!

On December 29, we spent the entire day at Heritage Baptist Church in Goose Creek, South Carolina. I had the privilege to preach in both services and to present our missionary ministry of helps. We had a wonderful time with the folks at Heritage, and we praise God for our time there. We will be returning to Heritage at the end of January, where I have been asked to preach in their annual Missions' Conference. Pray for me as I prepare for this missions' conference. Pray that souls would be saved, and that the saints of God will get a greater burden for missions. Pray that their faith promise missions' commitments will exceed all that we hope or ask.

We had a wonderful Christmas with three of our daughters and their families. We had a full house, and thank God for our family – those who came and those who were not able to come. It was a blessed time, and I thank God for allowing us to just take a break and enjoy the blessings of the Christmas season.

"Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift!"
II Thessalonians 9:15

Again, we ask you to pray that God would increase our support and that the churches in which we have already visited will take us on for support. Pray that God will bless us and help us to set up meetings in 2020. Pray that God will fill our weekends and Wednesdays and allow us to present ourselves to as many churches as possible.

Happy New Year to all of you!

In Christ,
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