Servants Helping In the Ministry

SCOTT & MARILEE

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"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to this purpose." Romans 8:28

While we may not always understand why, and while we may not always see the whole picture, the truth remains that even something as disruptive as COVID-19 is working for our good. During the month of May, God has made this truth very real to me. We have nothing to complain about because God has called us unto Himself, and we can indeed be confident of this everlasting truth found in Philippians 1:6 - - - *"Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ."* 

Meetings that we had scheduled for the first two weekends in May were cancelled; and so we continued to help in our home church, Trinity Baptist Church. On May 12, I went to the Lord in prayer and earnestly begged Him to open doors so that we could once again be on the deputation road. I wanted so much to resume our deputation efforts and seek to raise the support we need. I specifically asked God to help me schedule one meeting a day. Praise be to God as He directly answered this prayer. Over a twelve day period, God blessed us with twelve scheduled meetings, and gave us several good contacts to schedule at a later time.

Faith Baptist Church in Trenton, NC opened their doors for full services on May 17, and we had the privilege of preaching to them on that day. Continue to pray for Faith Baptist as they search for a pastor.

From May 24 through May 28, we were able to present our missionary work to three churches in the south Georgia area. We presented our work to Faith Baptist Church in Ludowici, Georgia in the AM service, and then had the privilege of sharing our burden with the folks at Calvary's Grace

Baptist Church in Ailey, Georgia in the PM service. On May 27, I was given the opportunity to preach at Bethel Baptist Church in Richmond Hill, Georgia. What a blessing it was when Bethel Baptist took us on for support that very night. We thank Pastor Brian Cooper and all the good folks at Bethel for making us the newest member of their missionary family.

The month ended in Akron, Ohio where on May 31, we spent the whole day with Pastor David Burden and the congregation of Lighthouse Baptist Church. What a blessing it was to be an encouragement to these dear people in the inner city of Akron.

God has graciously provided for us during this time of uncertainty, unrest, and upheaval in our country; and I want to once again thank every church and individual who have graciously given to us during this pandemic crisis in which we find ourselves. Your gifts and sacrifices of love are greatly appreciated, and we are overwhelmed with gratitude. We failed to mention in our last letter that God has graciously provided us with a "new" vehicle. The 2010 Honda Odyssey has been a real blessing as we have once again begun to travel.

As you know, our first furlough relief assignment will be on the island of Pohnpei in the Federated States of Micronesia where we will be relieving Gabriel Eiben and his family. We have been in regular contact with him, and God has directed us to set our departure date for March or April of 2021. Please pray that God would keep us patient until then. Pray also that He would supply the necessary support before next year.

May God bless each and every one of you in the days ahead. We covet your continued prayers, and ask you to pray that God would continue to open doors of opportunity for us and that we would indeed raise our needed support soon. Thank you all again. Be safe, be courageous, and be faithful to Him who has called us!

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