

brethren, be not weary in well doing." I Thessalonians 3:13

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We have come to the end of another month, and what a month September has been. We found ourselves crisscrossing the state of Florida, participating in revival services, and traveling to South Carolina. We have put hundreds of miles on our van, and yes, we have found ourselves a bit weary. I wish that I could say that we are somewhat super-human, but that is just not the case. As we move into October, our travels continue throughout North Carolina and one major trip to Ohio. Please pray for us as we visit supporting churches and as we continue to help churches in need. We are depending on God's strength and thank Him for allowing us to be in the ministry of serving others. Though it can be tiring at times, we thank you for your prayers.

On September 1, we began a two week trip to Florida. What a blessing it was to present our work to the folks at Memorial Baptist Church in Ocala on September 3. We thank Pastor Michael West for the giving me the opportunity to teach the teenage Sunday school class and preach on Sunday night. We had a blessed time at Memorial during this time.

We then traveled to the Florida panhandle. It was a blessing to be with Pastor Aaron Harris and his people at Gulf Coast Baptist Church in Fort Walton Beach on September 6. We had the opportunity to present our work on that Wednesday night. Though our time was short there, we are so thankful for the good fellowship and for the opportunity to get to know Pastor Harris. Since Gulf Coast is so close to Pensacola, we were able to stay on the campus of Pensacola Christian College. While there, we were able to see our granddaughter, Jaina, as well as another young lady from our home church.

We then traveled to southern Florida where we reported to one of our supporting churches on Sunday, September 10. It was a blessing to be with the folks at Calvary Baptist Church in Englewood. While in south Florida, God allowed us to visit with my stepmother and my brother and his wife. What a blessing to be able to see family even while we are doing the work of God in our travels. We even got to see our oldest son, James, in Clearwater, Florida as we traveled down to Englewood and Fort Myers.

God continued to bless our travels as we were able to stop in Jesup, GA on the way home from our time in Florida. There I preached on Wednesday night, September 13, at Northside Baptist Church. Northside is one of our supporting churches. It was a blessing to once again fellowship with Pastor Anthony Hipps and his people.

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SEEKING THE LOST · ENCOURAGING THE SAINTS · AT HOME AND ABROAD

We returned to Wilson just in time to have a part in our home church's fall revival from September 17-22. We praise God for the preaching of the word and the refreshment received by that preaching. Evangelist Bobby Barnes was our preacher, and God greatly used him. On September 24, I had the privilege of teaching Sunday school in our home church, Trinity Baptist Church.

Our month ended in South Carolina at Friendship Baptist Church in Myrtle Beach. We were there for Friendship's annual mission I cannot begin to tell revival. you what a blessing it was to be with Pastor Matthew Gordon and his people. The mission revival was a tremendous blessing, and the fellowship was mighty sweet. I had the privilege of teaching the adult men in Sunday school, while Marilee taught the adult While in Myrtle Beach ladies. we stayed with Gordon and Pat Milligan, who were very gracious hosts. I thank God for allowing us to develop new friendships and praying partners along the way. All of this took place from September 29 through October 1.

One of the highlights of the mission conference was the Saturday fishing trip. One of the men in the church, Robbie McDowell, took us missionaries out for a great day of fishing and fellowship. It has been a while since I have had such a good time with a group of godly Christian men. And may I add



Gordon and Pat Milligan



Friendship Baptist Church, Myrtle Beach, SC



Pastor Matthew Gordon and wife far left; Missionaries Chris and Natalie McPike, Missionaries Johnny and Alana Torres, Evangelist Daniel Waters and family standing next to us.



The end of our fishing trip. Robbie McDowell center.

that I had the catch of the day -- an eighteen inch flounder! We praise God that at the end of the mission revival, Friendship took us on for support!! We will not soon forget this great mission revival. The preaching, the fellowship, and the kindness shown to us was wonderful. We thank God for Friendship's love for missions and concern for the souls of men

I want to thank each and every one of you for your prayers and words of encouragement along the way. Continue to pray for us. Pray for us as we travel throughout the month of October. We have meetings in Ohio, as well as Trenton, NC, and Lexington, NC. Our traveling will come to a temporary end on October 30.

As I have mentioned before, on November 8, I am scheduled to have knee replacement surgery. Please pray for me. Pray for a successful surgery and a prompt recovery. This will hinder our ability to travel for a while, and I ask you to pray that God would give grace during the recovery and rehab time.

God bless each and every one you in the coming days ahead. While we may be a bit weary, we thank God for giving us the wherewithal to serve him. Thank you for your part in that service.

Thankfully,

Scott & Marilee Norman