The Prestons Church Planting in Mt. Pleasant, UT

September 27, 2017

Dear Praying Friends,

We are so grateful that we have a God that answers prayers! Thank you for praying for us! We praise the Lord for His provision of laborers and funds to accomplish the roof reconstruction project on the church. We are grateful to our sending church for sending a young couple to help, their gift of \$1000 and also for the gift of \$772.25 from a supporting church in Hampton, VA. We praise the Lord for some young men that Travis was able to bring over from the boys' home that helped in a great way. We were able to complete the rotation of the trusses and re-sheet the roof in eight days, working twelve to thirteen hours each day. I can honestly say by the time we were done, had there been one more truss to rotate, there would have been no more strength to do it. The main problem with "just turning the trusses 180%" came when we realized the tall end of the truss was too high to fit where the shorter end sat. We then had to do some re-engineering which took a lot more work both physically and time wise. We praise the Lord for sending cloud cover over us on many of those hot days. But there were some days when a cloud was nowhere to be found, and we thought for sure we were going to melt away because it was so hot. It made me thankful that I'm not a roofer! We are thankful not only for the men that were able to help with this project but also for the ladies that kept us fed at lunch and dinner. There are still some small details yet to complete that we hope to button up within the next month.

Prior to starting the project, Millie and I had the opportunity to cook for one of the breakfast meals during family camp at Camp Utibaca. Millie also spent a week cooking for horsemanship camp. Once the roof project was completed, Millie and I took a couple days off and went up to Billings, Montana for a short vacation. As we traveled through some of the small towns in Montana via the secondary highways, we noticed that there were plenty of casinos at gas stations and bars but very little evidence of gospel preaching churches. It made us mindful of the fact that there are still a lot of places here in the west needing the gospel including places here in Utah. Please **pray** the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into his harvest.

We continue to labor and pray that the Lord would give us fruit for our labors and that we would see an increase in church attendance. It seems the majority attending are contented with just one service a week. We are grateful for the handful that makes it back for all the services. Lamar and Rachel have indicated an interest in joining the church, and we have given them our church constitution to review. We have also had a couple ladies revisit the church and hope to see their children come to our Bible club that starts up tonight (9/27). This year we have to drop our toddler age class due to having no one to work it. Please **pray** for laborers.

We are grateful for you and for your willingness to stand with us. Thank you to all that pray regularly for us and for each church and individual that sacrificially supports us financially. We pray the Lord will continue to bless you as you serve Him in the part of the field He has you laboring for Him.

In His Service, David and Millie Preston

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