

The Prestons
Church Planting in Mount Pleasant, UT

March 22, 2021

Dear Praying Friends,

It is truly a privilege to serve the Lord Jesus Christ! Millie and I have now been serving in Utah for 21 years. The Lord has blessed us to be able to see a fundamental Baptist church established and yesterday we had the joy of celebrating the 18th anniversary of Heritage Baptist Church of Mt. Pleasant, Utah! It hardly seems real that we have been here this long. Our commissioning church pastor, Pastor Greg Gray, and his son Nathaniel flew out for this special occasion. We had planned to have him here last year but Covid-19 hit and delayed that plan. The word preached and the special music shared was such a blessing to each one's heart. Millie and I were greatly encouraged by their being here and sharing this special weekend with us.

We continue to wait upon the Lord for the man of His choosing to answer the call to come and assume the pastorate of this church. However as we wait we have continued to **pray** as well look around at different areas may be in need of a church much like the one that has been planted here. We have been praying about Salem, Utah which is 50 miles north of us in the city area of Utah County. We recently drove through Wayne County which is about two hours south of us. There are a number of small towns in close proximity to the other that have no gospel witness. This fact has really tugged at our hearts. We drove back down there today with our pastor so he could see the area. He too was stirred by the absence of any gospel witness in this area. We are open to wherever and whatever direction the Lord leads us in service for Him. It is our plan to remain here until the Lord provides a pastor to carry on the work but while we wait we will continue to seek the Lord's leading for our own future in church planting. Please **pray** for all these things and please diligently **pray** for the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into His harvest.

Millie's weekly ladies Bible study continues to be well attended and the ladies have openly stated to her how much they enjoy it. Her monthly ladies fellowship also is a favorite of the ladies. She continues to see ladies attend that don't come to church and as she shares the gospel with them she is hopeful that those that don't know the Lord will be saved before the Lord moves us on. Please continue to **pray** for Laura, Sue, Sandra and Teresa.

Please be in **prayer** that we will be able to see the fruit of our labors materialize and that we will begin to see many come to Christ and start coming to church. Please **pray** for the spiritual growth of each member of this church.

We are truly grateful for each one that faithfully prays for us and for each church and individual that sacrificially gives so that we can continue serving the Lord here.

In His Service,

David and Millie Preston

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