## The Prestons

## Church Planting in Mount Pleasant, UT

September 24, 2022

Dear Praying Friends,

We are thankful to see Kristin continue to come with her three children. She has also started coming to Millie's ladies Bible study. Our children's church also doubles when she is able to come. We are rejoicing in the salvation of Maggie, Lamar and Rachel's 8 year old daughter. Two weeks ago Maggie came to church and told Millie first and then me after the morning service. Maggie isn't a very talkative little girl (that is to me) however last Sunday morning she came forward and publicly professed that she received Jesus as her Savior! What a joy!

Things don't always go the way we plan or hope as we all know. Having completed and expedited training for the prison so that I could cover Mike's classes when I arrived the next day I was turned away because the prison was on lockdown. This lockdown wasn't due to prisoner misconduct but an issue with their intercommunication system and staffing shortage. Some of their staff had been sent up north to assist with prisoner transfers to the new prison. I had another opportunity since but it was cancelled due to Mike's plans being changed. I am now scheduled for this coming Tuesday and hopefully nothing will impede this opportunity.

I was able to go up to camp UTIBACA for a couple of days and help Steve work on the hay shed and horse stalls. The project is quit extensive and due to camp activities the project can only be done in stages. We were able to get all the steel post in on the days I was there and others helped with getting the metal roof supports on. Steve was pleased with all that was accomplished this year and knows what he is planning will take a bit of time to see to completion. Millie was slated to cook for junior horsemanship and one of the main horsemanship camps but came down sick for a week and a half leading up to the first camp. She went to the doctor at the end of the second week and tested positive for Covid. We praise the Lord that it wasn't a severe case though she did have a couple of days with a low grade fever and left her with a persistent cough for a few additional weeks thereafter. She is in good health now for which we are thankful.

The church bid farewell to Josh and Janine at the end of July as they moved to Montana so that Josh could earn his PHD in mathematics at MSU. The church is still in the hunt for a permanent pastor which at this point will still require a man to hold employment to meet his financial needs. Please continue in **prayer** that the Lord will provide His man for the pastorate.

We are grateful for your continued prayers and for the faithful financial support of all that give sacrificially so that we can serve here in Utah. We give thanks for you and pray for you.

In His Service.

David and Millie Preston