



# Go WEST For GOD!

July 2010

Dear Prayer Partners,

Greetings from Colorful Colorado! Our initial Mountain West Church Planting project, assisting Northrange Baptist Church in the Denver area, continues to go well. Let us share with you what God has been doing these last few months.

## PASTOR'S ADVANCE

In keeping with what our Mission Agency has asked, the Lord has given us opportunities to meet Pastors and get better acquainted with other churches in the Mountain West. During the winter months, we attended a pastors/wives retreat and met a number of pastors and wives from all over Colorado. Then in the Spring, we attended another fellowship meeting with many of these same pastors. As a result, we have at least one new deputation meeting scheduled in October. Also, Sue was able to play for congregational singing at this fellowship, and as a result of this, we held our "first" Church Pianist/Song-leading Seminar in May. Faith Baptist Church in Fruita, Colorado invited other churches in their area (Grand Junction) to participate and the Lord blessed greatly in this seminar. Sue also has another area-wide piano seminar scheduled for Denver in October! Perhaps the Lord will continue to use us to help more small churches here in the West in the area of music.

Every month, we have been able to attend pastor's fellowships, again getting exposure and introducing many to Worldwide New Testament Baptist Missions. In June, we attended the Annual FBF Fellowship Meeting which was held here in Denver, and met more pastors and workers from many different states. We praise the Lord for these opportunities!

## PETITIONS ANSWERED

Northrange Baptist Church, where we currently serve, has just purchased property! It has been exciting to see how the Lord has led us to 20 acres of prime land, in a prime location (about a mile from our current meeting place), and has worked out all the details of the purchase thus far. We are all eagerly anticipating how the Lord will continue to lead in the closing of the sale, and then each step in the building process.

Also, praise the Lord for safety in driving over 4,000 miles during March and then another 5,000 in June and July! God gave us good health along the way! In March, we attended our WWNTBM Candidate School in Tennessee, and then the Bible Conference at Ambassador Baptist College. We also spoke in churches along the way. What a tremendous blessing both of those conferences were! Then, in June, we drove to NC to attend our Mission Agency's Annual Family Week in New Bern. This was the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of WWNTBM, so it was held at the church still pastured by the founder, Dr. Bill Wingard. What an outstanding week this was! We then spoke in 4 different churches and visited two of Sue's brothers and their families in Delaware, and three of our children along the way before heading back to Colorado. This was, indeed, a special "bonus" God gave us!

## PERSONAL ACTIVITY

- ★ New children's training time begun at Northrange Baptist Church
- ★ Ladies' Home Bible Study began Monday, July 19 for 6-week outreach
- ★ Mike is preaching a 3-week series on Sundays, as well as several Wed. Bible Studies

## PERSONNEL ALERT

We have recently been made aware of a specific need for a couple who can speak Spanish to begin a Spanish ministry in an established church here in Colorado on the Western slope. They have offered a meeting place, plus housing initially, with the potential of part-time to full support as the ministry grows. If you should know of someone who would be interested in this opportunity, please let us know as soon as possible. Please pray that God will lead someone here.

## PRAYER ASKED

- ★ Mission Team of 9 teens plus sponsors coming from NC, July 29-August 5 to help in the ministry of Northrange Baptist Church
- ★ Spiritual and physical growth at Northrange Baptist Church
- ★ Continued good health
- ★ Closing of land purchase in August and wisdom for church future
- ★ Wisdom for future deputation travels

Thank you for the incredible part you have in the ministry of Jesus Christ, and in particular our ministry in Church Planting in the Western Mountain States. May the Lord continue to bless you for your faithful prayer and financial support.

In His service,

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***"Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labor. For we are laborers together with God..."***

***-- I Corinthians 3:8,9***