



July/August 2012

Dear Prayer Partners,

*"He will bless them that fear the Lord, both small and great. The Lord shall increase you more and more, you and your children." Psalm 115:13,14*

We have truly seen and experienced the blessing of the Lord in our personal lives, our ministry, and in the lives of our children. How we praise the Lord for HIS Word and the promises He gives us. Although there are trials and conflicts along the way, the Lord is faithful to His Word. Praise His Name!

### **Our Mentoring**

After arriving home mid-July from an extended trip, we took a few days to recuperate (partly due to sickness with colds), then began working with our two girls, Rebekah Childers and Heather Dishong, who were here for the summer from Ambassador Baptist College. We took one day driving to show them a couple of churches out in the plains of Colorado. It was a blessing just to see how God had built these churches. Another day we took them to Rocky Mountain National Park for some R&R, and the Lord allowed us to see some elk. The highlight of our summer came the first week in August with VBS at Northrange Baptist Church! The two girls really were outstanding in our little church. And God blessed in a wonderful way. The first day we had 17 children in attendance. By the end of the week, we had a total of 26 enrolled and most importantly, we saw 4 children accept Christ as Savior! What a thrill! The girls were busy all summer counseling in 3 different camps, participated in various church ministries, held VBS, and just learning the differences between the "eastern church vs. western church mentality". It was truly difficult to say goodbye to these dear young ladies after having them with us so many weeks. Both went back to finish their final year at Ambassador Baptist College. We are VERY thankful for their testimonies and their work here in Colorado.



### **Our Ministry**

During the last 3 weeks of July, Mike was blessed to preach all the services at Northrange. Pastor Jeff was heavily involved in both camps during those three weeks and needed the help. Sue continues teaching piano and whatever she is called upon to do in the church. She was also much involved in the VBS with the girls, as well as mentoring them during their stay with us. In August, after the girls returned to Ambassador, we were privileged to house a missionary couple for several nights while they were speaking in various churches in the Colorado area. Mike has been busy, too, with lining up meetings in Arizona for our upcoming trip in September. Sue has been asked to speak for a workshop at our Ladies' Retreat in September. She has spent a lot of time in study for this workshop, and we are praying the Lord will use it for HIS glory and purpose.

### **Our Travels**

We will be traveling for two weeks in September in the Western States, meeting with two relatively new church plants in Arizona. We will be home about a week and half before going to Hayden, Colorado, Oct. 6-10, where Sue will be teaching a Hymnplaying Seminar and Mike will be preaching for a Bible Conference. From there we will be heading East to the Carolinas for recruitment at the annual Mission's Conferences at both Bob Jones University and Ambassador Baptist College. In the surrounding weeks, we have deputation meetings scheduled in several churches in North Carolina,

including a missions conference as well. Sue will also be giving two other Hymnplaying Seminars during this time. We are looking forward to what God will do during these weeks!

## REQUESTS

- ★ Pray for sensitive hearts to respond to the needs of Western church planting during our recruitment ministry at the colleges in October and November.
- ★ Pray for Alex, a 10-year-old girl at Northrange. She has faithfully attended, but recently her parents have separated and we don't know where she is.
- ★ Safety for us in our many travels. Pray that our car will continue to function well.
- ★ Please pray for a family in our church who are undergoing intense difficulties and trials.
- ★ Neighbor's salvation, Jeremy & Christina.

We are so thankful to be able to serve the Lord in the ministry here in the West. Thank you for your faithful prayers and financial support for His work.

In His service,

*Mike & Sue Smith*

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- ★ Reach new people with the Gospel and see souls saved! Also praying for three new families to help in the ministry of Northrange Baptist Church.

- ★ Pray for God's leading in our future. Ministry.

## REJOICING

- ★ Opportunities to present our burden for the West
- ★ God's continued daily provision
- ★ VBS results including new converts
- ★ Protection in travels
- ★ Faithful prayer and financial supporters who enable us to serve in the Mt. West
- ★ We praise the Lord for 45 years of marriage this month - all to the praise and glory of God!

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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***